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SESSION A

Thursday 27 April 2017, starting at 11.00am



‡1

ARAB-SASANIAN, 'ABD AL-RAHMAN B. MUHAMMAD
Drachm, DA (Darabjird) 70YE = 82H

OBVERSE: In margin: *rabb – harasahu*
WEIGHT: 4.02g
REFERENCES: Walker p.117, Mar. 3; cf Wilkes & Curtis auction 3, 8 December 2014, lot 30 = Wilkes 52
CONDITION: *Extremely fine and extremely rare*
ESTIMATE: £3,000-4,000



‡2

ARAB-SASANIAN, MISMA' B. MALIK (fl. 86h)
Drachm, SK (Sijistan) 86h

OBVERSE: Sasanian bust to right with triplet of pellets on breast; name of governor MSMAA | Y MLKAN
In second and third quadrants of border: *bismillah – rabbi*
REVERSE: Standard fire-altar and attendants, date to left, mint-signature to right
WEIGHT: 4.08g
REFERENCE: cf Morton & Eden auction 79, 21 April 2016, lot 14
CONDITION: *Very fine to good very fine and of the highest rarity, an unpublished variety for this exceedingly rare governor*
ESTIMATE: £5,000-7,000

The example of this date sold in these rooms in April 2016 featured a single annulet on the breast of the Sasanian king, rather than the triplet of pellets as on the present coin.



3

ARAB-SASANIAN, TEMP. 'ABD AL-MALIK B. MARWAN (65-86h)

Drachm, without mint or date, possibly Damascus, c. 75h

- OBVERSE: In field: Armoured bust to right, holding sheathed sword in right hand, with name of the Sasanian ruler Khusraw in Pahlawi to right and GDH APZWT ('may his glory increase') to left
In border: *bismillah la i- laha illa Allah wa - hdahu Muhammad ra - sul Allah*, divided by stars-in-crescents except above the bust, where the star-in-crescent is replaced by a pellet-within-annulet
- REVERSE: In field: Arch supported on columns, within which is a vertical barbed spear which has two pennants floating to the left just below the head; to right and left of the columns: *khalifat Allah - amir al-mu'minin*; to either side of the spear-shaft: *nasr - Allah*.
In border: Four stars-in-crescents, with Pahlawi AP ('praise') at one o'clock
- WEIGHT: 3.54g
- REFERENCES: Treadwell 2005, 2 same dies; Walker p.24, ANS.5, same reverse die = Gaube 2.3.2.4
- CONDITION: Very fine to good very fine, excessively rare and a type of considerable historical significance

ESTIMATE: £70,000-100,000

See also enlarged illustrations on inside front and back covers.

One of the greatest and most sought-after rarities of the Arab-Sasanian series, the 'Mihrab and 'Anaza' drachm has been rightly described as 'extraordinary' (Grabar, O., *The Formation of Islamic Art*, revised and enlarged edition, Yale, 1987), and 'a very valuable little archaeological document' (Miles, 'Mihrab and 'Anazah').

Many of the difficulties of interpreting this piece stem from the fact that it lacks both date and mint-name. Most scholars have assumed that it was struck at Damascus. Firstly, the mean weight of extant specimens is about 3.6-3.7g, which is somewhat lighter than the standard maintained at mints in the East but consistent with other Arab-Sasanian issues struck at Damascus in the early-mid 70s. Secondly, Damascus was the Umayyad capital where other experimental drachms were struck, including the Standing Caliph type with which the Mihrab and 'Anaza drachms have often been compared. This may very well be correct, although it will be suggested below that other possibilities should also be considered.

The latest study of this issue is that of Treadwell (2005), who plausibly interprets the imagery on this coin as a reaction to perceived problems with the design of the Standing Caliph drachms, which he argues must have been struck immediately before the Mihrab and 'Anaza type. On this analysis, the Standing Caliph type was produced to accompany the Standing Caliph dinars and fulus introduced in Syria in the previous year. Treadwell notes that the gold and copper issues conformed to 'the traditional

*numismatic formula that located the ruler on the obverse and a religious symbol on the reverse,' while the 'Standing Caliph' drachm 'contained two conflicting images of rulership...it is the Shahanshah's imposing bust that dominates the imagery of the coin, not the cramped figure of the caliph on the reverse' (Treadwell, p.11). The Mihrab and 'Anaza type rectifies this by changing the design of the Sasanian bust so that it is recognisably the Caliph who appears on the obverse, and by replacing the standing figure on the reverse with an image of the Prophet's spear mounted within an arch. Unfortunately, while this argument neatly explains the imagery, it clashes awkwardly with the legends. The bust which Treadwell identifies as the caliph himself is in fact labelled in Pahlawi as that of Khusraw, while the spear on the reverse carries the legends *khalifat Allah - amir al-mu'minin*.*



Standing Caliph drachm, dated 75h
Ex Morton & Eden auction 54, 23 April 2012, lot 23

It is possible to argue, as Treadwell does, that 'the Standing Caliph drachm was an unsuccessful hybrid that had been cobbled together at speed [and so] it would not be surprising if its hastily executed substitute were also deficient in some respects.' But the addition of *nasr Allah* beside the spear on the reverse shows that the legends were not merely slavishly copied from a preceding type, and it seems hard to imagine that such sophisticated thought should have been given to the imagery only for the legends to have been applied so inappropriately. Furthermore, closer examination reveals that the images on both sides of this type are less straightforward than they may first appear.

The figure on the obverse, whom Treadwell identified as being the caliph, wears a peculiar type of headgear, has cross-hatching across his breast to represent a different type of dress from the norm, and rather awkwardly carries a sheathed sword. Treadwell notes that the figure on the reverse of the Standing Caliph drachm, like that on the obverse of the gold and copper Standing Caliph types, similarly carries a sheathed sword, and he therefore suggests that this feature identifies the Mihrab and 'Anaza bust as that of the caliph also. He has no explanation for the design of the crown or helmet, beyond noting that it does not look like any other crown seen on the coinage of any Sasanian ruler. As for the cross-hatch pattern on the figure's breast, Treadwell's explanation is that this is chiefly an artistic rather than a naturalistic feature, designed to allow the sheathed sword to feature more prominently. Unfortunately, neither the cross-hatching nor the headgear looks even remotely like the dress of the Standing Caliph figure and so, much as with the problematic legends, these features do nothing to support the suggestion that the Mihrab and 'Anaza drachm was designed to improve and rectify the Standing Caliph type.

The object on the reverse, to which Miles devoted most of his attention, has traditionally been identified as a spear or lance within a mihrab. It was Miles who refined this, specifying that the spear was the 'anaza of the Prophet himself, and suggesting rather more cautiously that the mihrab could be identified more precisely as the niche type (*mihrab mujawwaf*). If so, this coin would be the earliest depiction of this important Islamic architectural feature. Miles' interpretation of the arch as a mihrab has met with a mixed reception among later scholars. Some have endorsed his view that the feature is indeed a Muslim mihrab rather than any other kind of arch, while others (including Treadwell) have pointed out that arches of this type are found on coins struck by all three Abrahamic religions. Connections with the Christian *sacrum* in Jerusalem (the arch which stood over the True Cross) have been suggested. In this way, this remarkable coin would have played its part in the so-called 'war of images' between the Christians and Muslims during this period.

It is perhaps worth remembering, however, that the Mihrab and 'Anaza type is not so securely tied to Damascus during the mid-70s Hijri as some might imply. Treadwell reports that Miles himself *'did not consider that the coin, as he had described it, fitted smoothly into the series of Damascus silver coinage of the mid-690s.'* The type is not dated, and while the metrology does argue against these drachms having been struck as part of the main series produced in the East, Damascus was not the only place where lighter Arab-Sasanian drachms were being issued at this time. Drachms struck in Armenia and the North (see lot 1) during the 70s seem to have been struck to a weight standard in the region of 3.3g, and like the Mihrab and 'Anaza type carry on the obverse a bust which is clearly Sasanian but is obviously different from the familiar Khusraw II type which had become the standard in the East for decades. Another curious feature of the Mihrab and 'Anaza drachms is the large number of dies used: the seven specimens listed by Treadwell were struck from seven obverse and six reverse dies. Is this consistent with a short-lived, experimental type concocted hastily in Damascus and quickly abandoned, or might this be better explained in the context of a short-lived, specific event such as a military campaign?

Hints in support of a military context come from another remarkable Arab-Sasanian issue which neither Miles nor Treadwell appears to have considered, possibly because it was struck after the transitional period in Damascus and in a different part of the Islamic world. This is the celebrated Arab-Ephthalite issue struck by Yazid b. Muhallab in 84h, whose reverse depicts a standing warrior wearing chain-mail and armed with sword and spear. The obverse of this type, has clear similarities with the bust of the Mihrab and 'Anaza issue, especially the domed helmet with the crest behind, represented as the 'weather-vane' on the coin of Yazid and by Miles's 'tassels' on the present specimen. There are also parallels with the 'globe' symbol above the helmet, which can now be interpreted as the top of the fitment for the helmet's crest (and which is clearly intended to be different from the stars-in-crescents elsewhere in the border). Having identified the headgear as a military helmet, there is no reason to reject the idea that the cross-hatching represents armour.

Comparison with Yazid b. Muhallab's drachm offers further intriguing possibilities. The obverse bust on Yazid's issue is still recognisably that of the Sasanian king with his features unaltered, while the name-legend before the bust is that of Yazid himself, positioned where governors' names were usually placed on Arab-Sasanian drachms. The armoured figure on the reverse is not explicitly identified, but has been plausibly interpreted either as a depiction of the caliph or of Yazid himself. Whichever may have been intended, the overall effect is that the designer was more concerned with transforming the imagery of a standard Arab-Sasanian drachm to give a general impression of military force and authority, rather than feeling the need to identify individual figures of authority. Looking again at the Mihrab and 'Anaza drachm, we see something similar here: the bust is armoured, helmeted and wearing a sword, while the reverse depicts a barbed spear accompanied by the phrase 'Victory from God.' Wherever and whenever this fascinating coin was struck, its overtly military imagery suggests that it may have been intended to play a practical role as a military coinage just as much as playing its part in a religious 'war of images.'



Arab-Ephthalite drachm with armoured bust on obverse, struck in Anbir, 84h
Ex Morton & Eden auction 73, 23 April 2015, lot 13

Specialist references:

Miles, G.C. 'Mihrab and 'Anazah: A Study in Early Islamic Iconography,' in *Archaeologia orientalia in memoriam Ernst Herzfeld*, Locust Valley, 1952.

Treadwell, L. "'Mihrab and 'Anaza' or 'Sacrum and Spear'? A reconsideration of an early Marwanid silver drachm,' in Necipoğlu, Gülru and Julia Bailey (edd), *Muqarnas: An Annual on the Visual Culture of the Islamic World*, vol. 22, pp. 1-29, Leiden, 2005.

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4

ARAB-ARMENIAN, HORMAZD IV TYPE

Drachm, possibly struck at al-Bab or Barda'a circa 73-74h

OBVERSE: Sasanian bust to right
 In second and third quadrants of border: *la quwwa illa bi-A – llah* divided by stars-and-crescents
 REVERSE: Fire-altar with attendants, ZWZWN ('drachm') to right, STA ('6') to left, border plain
 WEIGHT: 2.94g
 REFERENCE: cf Morton & Eden auction 54, 23 April 2012, lot 24; Sears 1-3 for the *shahada* type with similar reverse
 CONDITION: *Very fine and excessively rare*
 ESTIMATE: £3,000-5,000



5

ARAB-LATIN COINAGE, TEMP. AL-WALID I (86-96h)

Gold solidus, Spain, Indiction XI / year 94h

OBVERSE: Eight-pointed star with Latin legend around
 REVERSE: INDC XI in centre, Latin mint/date legend around
 WEIGHT: 3.77g
 REFERENCES: Bernardi 30; Album 122
 CONDITION: *Reverse somewhat off-centre with date legend partly missing, very fine and rare*
 ESTIMATE: £800-1,000



6

UMAYYAD, TEMP. HISHAM (105-125h)

Dinar, Ifriqiya 106h

REVERSE: In margin: pellet below century of date in margin
 WEIGHT: 4.28g
 REFERENCES: Walker -; Bernardi 44Ca, citing a single example of this date; cf Spink Zurich auction 27, 1 June 1988, lot 41, *same reverse die*
 CONDITION: *Obverse a little weak and struck from an old and rusty die, generally about extremely fine and excessively rare*
 ESTIMATE: £20,000-30,000

The obverse die used to strike this specimen, which shows considerable evidence of die-rust, had previously been used to strike Ifriqiya dinars in the previous year (cf Sotheby's auction, 3 May 2001, lot 902). A similar pairing of a single obverse die with reverse dies of different years may also be observed on the examples dated 104h and 105h published in the *Sylloge of Islamic Coins in the Ashmolean* (SICA 2, 335 and 336). This suggests that these coins can only ever have been struck in small quantities, which is consistent with their rarity today.



7

UMAYYAD, TEMP. IBRAHIM (126-127h)

Plated dinar, 127h

WEIGHT: 2.59g

CONDITION: *A contemporary forgery in base metal with gilding largely intact and of good style, good very fine and very rare*

ESTIMATE: £1,000-1,500

It is interesting that this forgery should copy one of the rarest dates in the Umayyad dinar series. Genuine examples of dinars struck in this year have previously sold in these rooms for five-figure prices.



#8

UMAYYAD, TEMP. AL-WALID I (86-96h)

Dirham, Arran 90h

WEIGHT: 2.70g

REFERENCES: Klat 27, citing three examples of this date

CONDITION: *Almost extremely fine and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £6,000-8,000



9

UMAYYAD, TEMP. SULAYMAN (96-99h)

Dirham, Ifriqiya 98h

WEIGHT: 2.89g

REFERENCE: Klat 86

CONDITION: *Wavy flan with light crease on reverse, good very fine and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £3,000-4,000



10

UMAYYAD, TEMP. HISHAM (105-125h)
Dirham, Ifriqiya 125h

WEIGHT: 2.46g
 REFERENCE: Klat 109
 CONDITION: *Edge chipped, otherwise very fine, very rare*
 ESTIMATE: £1,000-1,500



11

UMAYYAD, TEMP. YAZID II (102-105h)
Dirham, al-Andalus 105h

OBVERSE: Annulets (if any) off-flan
 REVERSE: Annulets o o o o o
 WEIGHT: 2.95g
 REFERENCE: cf Klat 118.b, citing a single example of this type
 CONDITION: *Good very fine and extremely rare*
 ESTIMATE: £3,000-4,000

During the course of the year 105h the calligraphy at the mint of al-Andalus underwent a major stylistic change. Early dirhams of 103h and 104h show the curved style of lettering associated with Damascus and mints in the North and West, while later coins have the angular script associated with Wasit and the East. Only one other example of a dirham dated 105h with this earlier calligraphy appears to have been published (Klat 118.b), on which the diameter of the obverse field is considerably smaller meaning that the annulets in the outer border are clearly visible. The present coin, which is of full weight and struck on a broad flan, has a much wider obverse field, meaning that the marginal legend is almost at the rim of the coin and no border is visible. If the obverse die did carry annulets, these must have been placed outside the triple circle around the marginal legend, and it is difficult to see how they could ever have been visible on a coin struck on a regular flan.



12

UMAYYAD, TEMP. HISHAM (105-125h)
Dirham, al-Bab 114h

OBVERSE: In border: four concentric annulets
 WEIGHT: 2.18g
 REFERENCE: Klat 142
 CONDITION: *Evenly clipped, otherwise very fine and extremely rare*
 ESTIMATE: £3,000-4,000



13
UMAYYAD, TEMP. AL-WALID I (86-96h)
Dirham, Bizamqubadh 90h

WEIGHT: 2.78g
 REFERENCE: Klat 162
 CONDITION: *Good very fine and rare*
 ESTIMATE: £1,000-1,500



‡14
UMAYYAD, TEMP. 'ABD AL-MALIK B. MARWAN (65-86h)
Dirham, al-Jisr 80h

OBVERSE: In margin: legend reads *duriba hadha al-dirham fi'l-Jisr fi sanat...*
 WEIGHT: 2.86g
 REFERENCE: Klat 230
 CONDITION: *Richly toned, better than very fine and rare*
 ESTIMATE: £1,500-2,000



15
UMAYYAD, TEMP. AL-WALID I (86-96h)
Dirham, Janza 92h

OBVERSE: In border: five plain annulets with one pellet between them at 12 o'clock
 In margin: pellets below *d* of *duriba* and *J* of *Janza*, triplet of pellets below unit of date
 WEIGHT: 2.91g
 REFERENCES: Klat 249, citing two examples of this date; Spellberg 4
 CONDITION: *About extremely fine and excessively rare*
 ESTIMATE: £10,000-12,000



16

UMAYYAD, TEMP. MARWAN II (127-132h)
Dirham, Dimashq 129h

WEIGHT: 2.86g
 REFERENCE: Klat 373
 CONDITION: *Patch of hoard-staining in margin, otherwise very fine and extremely rare*
 ESTIMATE: £1,200-1,500



17

UMAYYAD, TEMP. 'UMAR (99-101h)
Dirham, Zaranj 101h

WEIGHT: 2.58g
 REFERENCE: Klat 412
 CONDITION: *Very fine and extremely rare*
 ESTIMATE: £3,000-4,000



18

UMAYYAD, TEMP. 'SULAYMAN (96-99h)
Dirham, Sijistan 99h

WEIGHT: 2.94g
 REFERENCE: Klat 441, citing three examples
 CONDITION: *Almost extremely fine and very rare*
 ESTIMATE: £800-1,200



‡19

UMAYYAD, TEMP. 'UMAR (99-101h)
Dirham, Sijistan 101h

WEIGHT: 2.85g
 REFERENCE: Klat 443
 CONDITION: *Very fine and extremely rare*
 ESTIMATE: £2,500-3,000

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20

UMAYYAD, TEMP. 'ABD AL-MALIK B. MARWAN (65-86h)

Dirham, Kaskar 82h

REVERSE: In field: *wa* at end of second line
 WEIGHT: 2.69g
 REFERENCE: Klat –
 CONDITION: *Some corrosion and edge damage, fine to good fine and of the highest rarity, apparently an unpublished date for this extremely rare mint*

ESTIMATE: £6,000-8,000



21

UMAYYAD, TEMP. AL-WALID I (86-96h)

Dirham, al-Qandal 96h

WEIGHT: 2.31g
 REFERENCE: Klat 517
 CONDITION: *Clipped, minor graffiti, otherwise very fine or better and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £4,000-6,000

Al-Qandal has long been classified as one of the Umayyad 'mystery mints,' but a proposal by Enrico Leuthold (*Ricerche sui Dirham Umayyadi*, Milan, 2008, p. 39) and further research by Lutz Ilisch has confirmed that this mint was present-day Gandava, located in what is now Pakistan. It appears that during Umayyad military expansion into the Indian subcontinent a mint was established in the port-town of al-Daybul in 95h, which later transferred to al-Qandal in 96h and al-Hind (possibly Multan?) in 97h.



22

UMAYYAD, TEMP. 'ABD AL-MALIK B. MARWAN (65-86h)

Dirham, Mah al-Basra 80h

WEIGHT: 2.86g
 REFERENCE: Klat 551
 CONDITION: *About extremely fine and lightly toned, very rare thus*

ESTIMATE: £700-1,000



23
UMAYYAD, TEMP. HISHAM (105-125h)
Dirham, Madinat Balkh al-Bayda 111h

WEIGHT: 2.43g
 REFERENCE: Klat 176
 CONDITION: *Almost very fine/good fine, rare*
 ESTIMATE: £600-800



24
REVOLUTIONARY PERIOD, AL-KIRMANI B. 'ALI (fl. 128h)
Dirham, Marw 128h

OBVERSE: In outer margin: *mimma amr bihi – al-amir – al-Kirmani – bin 'Ali*
 WEIGHT: 2.29g
 REFERENCES: Klat 603; Wurtzel 30
 CONDITION: *Toned, some peripheral corrosion and minor edge losses, otherwise almost very fine and very rare*
 ESTIMATE: £2,000-2,500



25
REVOLUTIONARY PERIOD, TEMP. MUHARIB B. MUSA (fl. 128-130h)
Dirham, Jayy 130h

WEIGHT: 2.92g
 REFERENCES: Klat 271; Wurtzel 18
 CONDITION: *Very fine and very rare*
 ESTIMATE: £700-1,000



26
ABBASID, TEMP. IBRAHIM B. 'ABDALLAH (IN REBELLION 145h)
Dirham, al-Basra 145h

REVERSE: In margin: Qur'an 17:81; in field: *Allah | ahad | ahad*
 WEIGHT: 2.37g
 REFERENCES: Album F214 RRR; cf SICA 3, 573; cf Stephen Album Rare Coins auction 25, May 19-21 2016, lot 230
 CONDITION: *Traces of black chloride deposit, good fine and extremely rare*
 ESTIMATE: £2,500-3,000

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ABBASID, AL-RASHID (170-193h)

Dinar, without mint-name (Baghdad), 170h

REVERSE: In field: *Muhammad rasul Allah | mimma amr bihi 'Abdallah | Harun amir al-mu'minin*

WEIGHT: 3.91g

REFERENCES: Lowick 363; Bernardi 58b

CONDITION: *Pin-marks in fields and minor edge kink, fine to good fine and very rare*

ESTIMATE: £2,000-3,000

PROVENANCE: Ex Sotheby's, 30 March 1995, lot 64 (offered with envelope).

This is the earliest Abbasid dinar to include the name of the caliph.



28

ABBASID, AL-RASHID (170-193h)

Dinar, without mint-name (Baghdad), 171h

REVERSE: In field: *Muhammad rasul Allah | mimma amr bihi 'Abdallah | Harun amir al-mu'minin*

WEIGHT: 4.00g

REFERENCES: Lowick 366; Bernardi 58b

CONDITION: *Good fine and rare*

ESTIMATE: £1,500-2,000



29

ABBASID, TEMP. AL-MA'MUN (194-218h)

Dinar, without mint-name, 206h

OBVERSE: In field: plain

REVERSE: In field: pellet below *Allah*

WEIGHT: 3.31g

REFERENCES: Bernardi 51, *date not listed*; Lowick -

CONDITION: *Evenly clipped, otherwise good very fine and apparently unpublished*

ESTIMATE: £1,500-2,000

This is a very rare late survival of the earliest type of anonymous Abbasid dinar, which appears to have ceased regular production in 199h. Bernardi lists only three examples struck later in the 200s: a single example dated 207h, and two further specimens from the year 211h. This appears to be the only specimen of this type known for 206h.



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ABBASID, TEMP. AL-MA'MUN (194-218h)
Dinar, without mint-name, 204h

OBVERSE: In field: citing *Muhammad* (governor in Yemen)
 WEIGHT: 3.79g
 REFERENCE: Bernardi 112, citing three examples of this date
 CONDITION: *Lightly clipped, otherwise good very fine and rare*

ESTIMATE: £700-1,000



31

ABBASID, TEMP. AL-MA'MUN (194-218h)
Dinar, without mint-name, 204h

OBVERSE: In field: citing *al-Ifriqi* (governor in Yemen)
 WEIGHT: 3.79g
 REFERENCE: Bernardi 113 = Artuk 287, citing this single example
 CONDITION: *Evenly clipped, otherwise good very fine and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £2,500-3,000



32

ABBASID, TEMP. AL-MA'MUN (194-218h)
Dinar, Madinat al-Salam 211h

OBVERSE: Reform type with double marginal legend
 WEIGHT: 4.26g
 REFERENCE: Bernardi 116Jh, this date not listed
 CONDITION: *Some scratches on both sides, otherwise very fine and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £1,500-2,000



33

ABBASID, TEMP. AL-MA'MUN (194-218h)
Dinar, Marw 215h

OBVERSE: Reform type with double marginal legend
 WEIGHT: 3.15g
 REFERENCE: Bernardi 116Ph, citing a single example of this mint and date
 CONDITION: *Considerable clipping but mint and date still complete and very clear, otherwise almost very fine and extremely rare, the earliest recorded date for Abbasid gold coins from the mint*

ESTIMATE: £2,000-2,500

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34

ABBASID, TEMP. AL-MA'MUN (194-218h)

Dinar, without mint-name, 201h

OBVERSE: In margin: mint/date formula beginning *bismillah al-rahman al-rahim...*
In field: citing *al-Hasan* and with letter *'ayn* below
REVERSE: In field: citing *Dhu'l-Riyasatayn*
WEIGHT: 4.19g
REFERENCE: Bernardi 102, citing a single example of this date
CONDITION: *Edge smoothed, otherwise good very fine and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £1,000-1,500



‡35

ABBASID, TEMP. AL-MA'MUN (194-218h)

Dirham, Madinat al-Salam 212h

REVERSE: In field: *sali Allah | Muhammad | rasul | Allah | 'alayhi wa salam*
WEIGHT: 2.98g
REFERENCE: Lowick 1464
CONDITION: *Crudely struck, fine to good fine and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £800-1,200



36

ABBASID, AL-MA'MUN (194-218h)

Square uniface bronze weight

LEGENDS: *Allah khayr | khalifat a- | l-Ma'mun*
DIMENSIONS: 17.4 x 15.6 x 5.2mm,
WEIGHT: 12.34g
CONDITION: *Very fine and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £1,000-1,500



‡37

ABBASID, AL-WATHIQ (227-232h)

Dinar, Surra man ra'a 231h

WEIGHT: 4.21g
REFERENCE: Bernardi 152Jc RRR, citing a single example of this date
CONDITION: *Slightly weak in centres, otherwise almost extremely fine, an extremely rare early date*

ESTIMATE: £2,000-3,000



‡38

ABBASID, AL-MUTAWAKKIL (232-247h)

Dinar, without mint-name, 236h

OBVERSE: In margin: mint/date formula ends *Al-Riyusan* after the century of date
In field: citing *Ja'far*

WEIGHT: 4.20g

CONDITION: *Extremely fine and of the highest rarity, apparently unpublished*

ESTIMATE: £6,000-8,000



39

ABBASID, AL-MUTAWAKKIL (232-247h)

Dinar, Arminiya 246h

OBVERSE: In field: citing *al-Mu'tazz billah*

WEIGHT: 4.16g

REFERENCE: Bernardi 158Kb RRR

CONDITION: *Small edge knock, better than very fine and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £5,000-7,000



40

ABBASID, AL-MUSTA'IN (248-251h)

Dinar, Tiflis 248h

OBVERSE: plain, without name of heir

WEIGHT: 4.21g

REFERENCES: Bernardi type 160; cf Pakhomov II, 23 [a dirham of this date with similar legends]

CONDITION: *Minor marks, very fine and of the highest rarity, apparently unpublished and the only known Abbasid gold coin from this mint*

ESTIMATE: £25,000-30,000



‡41

ABBASID, AL-MUHTADI (255-256h)

Dinar, al-Ahwaz 255h

WEIGHT: 4.39g
 REFERENCE: Bernardi 165Nd
 CONDITION: *Some scratches, otherwise fine to good fine and very rare*

ESTIMATE: £1,800-2,200



42

ABBASID, AL-MUHTADI (255-256h)

Dinar, San'a 256h

WEIGHT: 2.94g
 REFERENCE: Bernardi 167El RR
 CONDITION: *Creased, otherwise good very fine and very rare*

ESTIMATE: £3,000-4,000



‡43

ABBASID, AL-MU'TAMID (256-279h)

Dinar, al-Ahwaz 278h

OBVERSE: In field: citing the heir *al-Mu'tadid billah*
 WEIGHT: 4.70g
 REFERENCE: Bernardi type 187, not listed for this mint
 CONDITION: *Minor marks, the calligraphy of provincial style, very fine to good very fine and of the highest rarity, apparently unpublished*

ESTIMATE: £3,000-4,000



44

ABBASID, AL-MU'TAMID (256-279h)

Dinar, al-Muhammadiya 277h

OBVERSE: In field: *al-nasir li-din Allah | al-Muwaffaq billah*
 REVERSE: In field, below name of caliph: *Ahmad bin al-Muwaffaq billah*
 In field, to right, above, and to left: *al-quwwa – lillah – jami'an*
 WEIGHT: 4.15g
 REFERENCE: Bernardi 186Mh RRR, recorded for 276h only
 CONDITION: *Small weak area on both sides, very fine and excessively rare, apparently an unrecorded date*

ESTIMATE: £2,500-3,000

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45

ABBASID, AL-MU'TAMID (256-279h)

Dinar, Madinat al-Salam 271h

OBVERSE: In field: citing *al-nasir li-din Allah | al-Muwaffaq billah*

REVERSE: In field: citing *Dhu'l-Wizaratayn*

WEIGHT: 4.49g

REFERENCE: Bernardi 179Jh RRR

CONDITION: *Crimped at one part of edge, light deposit, otherwise about very fine and very rare*

ESTIMATE: £800-1,200



‡46

ABBASID, AL-MU'TAMID (256-279h)

Dinar, Makka 259h

OBVERSE: In field: citing *Ja'far*

WEIGHT: 4.12g

REFERENCE: Bernardi type 173, for which this mint is not recorded

CONDITION: *Slightly wavy flan, generally very fine with clear mint and date, of the highest rarity and apparently unpublished*

ESTIMATE: £25,000-30,000



47

ABBASID, AL-MU'TAMID (256-279h)

Dirham, Sohar 261h

OBVERSE: In field: citing *Ja'far*

WEIGHT: 2.96g

CONDITION: *Clipped and slightly bent, generally very fine with mint and date very clear, apparently unpublished*

ESTIMATE: £1,500-2,000

Sohar, today the largest city and capital of the Al-Batinah district of Oman, was a thriving port during the Abbasid period. Although attested as an Abbasid copper mint, with a fals dated 141h described in *Oman* (p.17), this appears to be the first Abbasid dirham of Sohar recorded. Romantically, although in keeping with its long maritime tradition, Sohar has been claimed in recent times as the home of the mythical figure, Sinbad the Sailor.



‡48

ABBASID, AL-MU'TADID (279-289h)

Quarter-dinar, without mint-name, 281h

OBVERSE: In margin: date formula
In field: *amir* | *al-mu'* - | *minin*
REVERSE: In margin: *la ilaha illa Allah Muhammad rasul Allah*
In field: *lillah* | *al-Mu'tadid* | *billah*
WEIGHT: 1.06g
REFERENCE: Bernardi type 210, this date not listed
CONDITION: *Minor marks, very fine and excessively rare, apparently unpublished of this date*

ESTIMATE: £2,500-3,000



49

ABBASID, AL-MU'TADID (279-289h)

Dinar, al-Rafiq 283h

WEIGHT: 3.77g
REFERENCE: Bernardi 211Hn
CONDITION: *Very fine to good very fine, rare*

ESTIMATE: £1,000-1,500



‡50

ABBASID, AL-MU'TADID (279-289h)

Dinar, Madinat al-Salam 285h

WEIGHT: 4.10g
REFERENCE: Bernardi 211Jh
CONDITION: *Very fine to good very fine and rare*

ESTIMATE: £700-1,000



‡51

ABBASID, AL-MU'TADID (279-289h)

Dinar, Nisibin 283h

WEIGHT: 4.12g
REFERENCE: Bernardi 211Hg, citing a single example of this date
CONDITION: *Good very fine and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £2,800-3,200

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52
ABBASID, AL-MU'TADID (279-289h)
Dirham, Makka 283h

WEIGHT: 2.81g
 REFERENCE: cf Stephen Album Rare Coins auction 27, 19 January 2017, lot 336
 CONDITION: *Minor marginal weakness, otherwise about very fine and toned, excessively rare*
 ESTIMATE: £4,000-5,000



‡53
ABBASID, AL-MUKTAFI (289-295h)
Dinar, Dimashq 295h

WEIGHT: 4.17g
 REFERENCE: Bernardi 226Ge, citing a single example of this date
 CONDITION: *Almost extremely fine and extremely rare*
 ESTIMATE: £2,200-2,800



54
ABBASID, AL-MUKTAFI (289-295h)
Dirham, Tiflis 294h

WEIGHT: 2.96g
 REFERENCE: Pakhomov p.41
 CONDITION: *Toned, some deposit on reverse, good very fine and rare, especially in this quality*
 ESTIMATE: £800-1,200



‡55
ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)
Dinar, 'Athar 319h

FIELDS: with single margins and plain inner band
 WEIGHT: 2.82g
 REFERENCE: Bernardi 249Eo, citing a single example
 CONDITION: *Very fine to good very fine and extremely rare*
 ESTIMATE: £2,000-3,000



56
ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)
Dinar, Misr 297h

OBVERSE: In field: citing *Abu'l-'Abbas bin | Amir al-Mu'minin*
 WEIGHT: 3.92g
 REFERENCES: Bernardi 242De (this type listed only for 298h onwards); SICA 4, 1504 (but coin 1505, stated to be of this date, appears to be dated 299h); cf ICA 24, lot 4376
 CONDITION: *Good very fine and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £1,000-1,500



‡57
ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)
Dinar, Hamadhan 303h

WEIGHT: 4.04g
 REFERENCE: Bernardi 242Mu, this date not listed
 CONDITION: *Some weak striking, very fine or better and extremely rare, apparently an unpublished date*

ESTIMATE: £1,500-2,000



58
ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)
Dirham, Qasr min Julaq (?) 300h

WEIGHT: 3.00g
 REFERENCE: cf Morton & Eden auction 54, lot 104, *same dies*
 CONDITION: *Very fine to good very fine and extremely rare, apparently the second known specimen*

ESTIMATE: £2,000-3,000



‡59

ABBASID, TEMP. AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)

A polished and finely-engraved oval brass or bronze seal bezel, probably from a signet ring

LEGENDS: the two line-inscription reading *Mu'nis Wali | Amir al-mu'minin*
 DIMENSIONS: 18.6 x 14.6mm
 WEIGHT: 2.35g
 CONDITION: *Extremely fine and extremely rare, of considerable historical interest and importance*

ESTIMATE: £6,000-8,000

The title of *wali amir al-mu'minin* allows the identification of the person named as Abu'l-Hasan Mu'nis al-Khadim, commander-in-chief of the Army under al-Muqtadir, who later defeated the caliph in battle in 320h only to be killed the following year by his successor, al-Qahir.

Born *circa* 230h, Mu'nis was a eunuch who served under the future caliph al-Mu'tadid during his wars with the Zanj. By the late 280s he had risen to become al-Mu'tad'id's chief of police, but fell out of favour under his successor, al-Muktafi (289-295h), when he may have been banished to Makka. He swiftly returned under his successor, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), and Mu'nis's role in quashing an attempted coup against the new caliph gave him considerable prestige at court. Thereafter his career blossomed, and he was soon appointed commander of the regular Abbasid army. In 297-8h Mu'nis recaptured the province of Fars from the Saffarids, leading to the fall of the First Saffarid Dynasty in 298h. Campaigns in Egypt against the Fatimids followed in 301-302h, and Mu'nis received the honorary title of *al-Muzaffar* ('the victorious') for expelling them. During the remainder of al-Muqtadir's rule, Mu'nis regularly led the army against the Byzantines, as well as fighting the Sajids in Adharbayjan, returning to Egypt to defeat the Fatimids once more, and attempting to counter the threat posed by the Qarmatids to the south.

Towards the end of al-Muqtadir's caliphate, the relationship between the two had deteriorated to the extent that the latter launched a coup, becoming the *de facto* ruler of the Abbasid state for the last three or four years of al-Muqtadir's reign. In 319h the caliph managed to rally enough supporters to force Mu'nis to leave Baghdad, but the old general mustered his troops, marched on Baghdad and defeated al-Muqtadir who fell before the city walls. Mu'nis swiftly installed al-Qahir, al-Muqtadir's half-brother, as caliph in his stead, but relations between these two also swiftly broke down and in 321h al-Qahir had Mu'nis and his chief adherents executed in the palace.

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60

ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)

Dinar, Filastin 299h

WEIGHT: 3.99g
 REFERENCES: SICA 4, 740; Bernardi 242Gn, citing three examples of this date
 CONDITION: *Granular surfaces, almost very fine*

ESTIMATE: £700-1,000



#61

ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)
Dinar, Filastin 301h

WEIGHT: 4.27g
 REFERENCE: Bernardi 242Gn
 CONDITION: *Fair to fine with clear mint and date*

ESTIMATE: £500-700



62

ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)
Dinar, Filastin 304h

WEIGHT: 3.90g
 REFERENCES: Bernardi 242Gn, date not listed; cf Morton & Eden auction 82, 20 October 2016, lot 38
 CONDITION: *Flan fault in obverse margin at 3 o'clock, otherwise almost extremely fine for issue and very rare thus*

ESTIMATE: £1,500-2,000



63

ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)
Dinar, Filastin 305h

WEIGHT: 3.98g
 REFERENCES: SICA 4, 743; Bernardi 242Gn
 CONDITION: *About very fine*

ESTIMATE: £700-1,000



64

ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)
Dinar, Filastin 307h

WEIGHT: 3.80g
 REFERENCES: Cairo 1380; Bernardi 242Gn
 CONDITION: *Weakly struck but with clear mint and date, good fine*

ESTIMATE: £700-1,000

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65
ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)
Dinar, Filastin 308h

WEIGHT: 4.05g
 REFERENCES: SICA 4, 745, *same rev. die*; Bernardi 242Gn, citing three examples of this date
 CONDITION: *Minor staining on reverse, otherwise about extremely fine and rare thus*
 ESTIMATE: £1,200-1,500



66
ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)
Dinar, Filastin 309h

WEIGHT: 4.45g
 REFERENCES: SICA 4, 746, *same dies*; Bernardi 242Gn, citing a single example of this date
 CONDITION: *Some weak striking but with little circulation wear and mint and date very clear, very fine to good very fine for issue and very rare*
 ESTIMATE: £1,000-1,200



67
ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)
Dinar, Filastin 310h

WEIGHT: 4.86g
 REFERENCES: SICA 4, 747, *same dies*; Bernardi 242Gn, citing a single example of this date
 CONDITION: *Very fine and very rare*
 ESTIMATE: £1,000-1,200



68
ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)
Dinar, Filastin 311h

WEIGHT: 4.09g
 REFERENCES: Bernardi 242Gn, citing two examples of this date
 CONDITION: *Some staining, generally very fine and rare*
 ESTIMATE: £800-1,000

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69

ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)

Dinar, Filastin 317h

WEIGHT: 3.62g

REFERENCES: Lavoix 1125; Bernardi 242Gn

CONDITION: *Some marginal weakness, about very fine*

ESTIMATE: £700-1,000



70

ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)

Dinar, Filastin 320h

REVERSE: In field: citing 'Amid al-dawla

WEIGHT: 4.21g

REFERENCE: Bernardi 243Gn

CONDITION: *Some weak striking, very fine to good very fine*

ESTIMATE: £800-1,000



71

ABBASID, AL-MUQTADIR (295-320h)

Dinar, Filastin 320h

REVERSE: In field: citing 'Amid al-dawla

WEIGHT: 3.90g

REFERENCE: Bernardi 243Gn

CONDITION: *Some weak striking, very fine*

ESTIMATE: £700-900



72

ABBASID, AL-RADI (322-329h)

Dinar, Filastin 323h

WEIGHT: 2.84g

REFERENCE: Bernardi 285Gn

CONDITION: *Scratches on obverse, fair to fine*

ESTIMATE: £600-800



73

ABBASID, AL-RADI (322-329h)

Dinar, Filastin 325h

WEIGHT: 2.09g

REFERENCE: Bernardi 285Gn

CONDITION: *Fair to fine*

ESTIMATE: £600-800

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‡74

ABBASID, AL-MUTI' (334-363h)

Dinar, Baysh 335h

WEIGHT: 2.81g

REFERENCE: SICA 10, 9ff

CONDITION: *Almost extremely fine and rare, especially in this condition*

ESTIMATE: £1,800-2,200



‡75

ABBASID, AL-MUTI' (334-363h)

Dinar, Baysh 336h

WEIGHT: 2.76g

REFERENCE: SICA 10, 13

CONDITION: *Good very fine and rare*

ESTIMATE: £1,500-2,000

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‡76

ABBASID, AL-MUTI' (334-363h)

Dinar, Baysh 341h

OBVERSE: In field: mint-mark *dal* below

WEIGHT: 2.81g

REFERENCE: SICA 10, 23ff

CONDITION: *Good very fine and rare*

ESTIMATE: £1,500-2,000



‡77

ABBASID, AL-MUTI' (334-363h)

Dinar, 'Athar 339h

WEIGHT: 2.71g

REFERENCES: SICA 10, -; Bikhazi -; Diler -

CONDITION: *Good very fine and extremely rare, apparently an unpublished date*

ESTIMATE: £2,000-3,000



78

ABBASID, AL-TA'I (363-38h)

Dirham, Madinat al-Salam 364h

LEGENDS: purely Abbasid, struck in the caliph's name only without mention of the name of the Buwayhid Rukn al-dawla

WEIGHT: 3.14g

REFERENCES: Treadwell Ms364a = Artuk 504

CONDITION: *Almost very fine and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £1,500-2,000



‡79

ABBASID, AL-NASIR (575-622h)

Dinar, Tikrit 607h

WEIGHT: 3.38g

REFERENCE: cf Morton & Eden auction 69, 10 April 2014, lot 85, *same obverse die*

CONDITION: *Twice pierced, otherwise very fine for issue and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £1,000-1,500

PROVENANCE: Ex Stephen Album Rare Coins auction 24, lot 250.



80

ABBASID, AL-MUSTA'SIM (640-656h)

Dinar, Madinat al-Salam 643h

WEIGHT: 11.29g

REFERENCE: BMC I, 506

CONDITION: *Minor marks and some weakness in margins, otherwise almost extremely fine and rare of this weight*

ESTIMATE: £800-1,200



81

IDRISID, IDRIS II (175-213h)

Dirham, al-'Abbasiya 213h

OBVERSE: In field: 'Ali below

REVERSE: In field: 'Ali above and Idris below

WEIGHT: 2.08g

CONDITION: *Edge split, generally about fine and extremely rare, the mint believed unpublished for this dynasty*

ESTIMATE: £800-1,000



82

TULUNID, KHUMARAWAYH B. AHMAD (270-282h)

Dinar, Hims 274h

WEIGHT: 1.85g

REFERENCES: Bernardi 193Gd; Grabar 28

CONDITION: *Struck on a thin flan, very fine or better and very rare*

ESTIMATE: £800-1,200



83

TULUNID, KHUMARAWAYH B. AHMAD (270-282h)

Quarter-dirham, Antakiya 278h

OBVERSE: In field: citing *al-Mufawwad*

REVERSE: In field: citing the caliph and with *Khumarawayh* below

WEIGHT: 1.11g

REFERENCE: Grabar –

CONDITION: *Double-struck on both sides, otherwise very fine to good very fine and of the highest rarity, apparently unpublished*

ESTIMATE: £1,500-2,000



84

TULUNID, JAYSH (282-283h)

Dinar, Misr 283h

WEIGHT: 4.11g

REFERENCES: Bernardi 214De; Grabar 70

CONDITION: *Graffiti on obverse, minor deposit, otherwise very fine and very rare*

ESTIMATE: £2,500-3,000



85

TULUNID, HARUN B. KHUMARAWAYH (283-292h)

Dinar, Balis 284h

WEIGHT: 3.78g

REFERENCE: Bernardi 215Gs

CONDITION: *Slightly ragged flan, better than very fine and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £2,800-3,200



#86

IKHSHIDID, MUHAMMAD B. TUGHJ (323-334h)

Donative silver dirham struck from dies prepared for gold dinars, Misr, undated

OBVERSE: In margin: *bismillah duriba hadha al-dinar* (sic) *bi-Misr*
 WEIGHT: 2.40g
 REFERENCE: Bacharach –
 CONDITION: *Toned, very fine and excessively rare, apparently unpublished*

ESTIMATE: £800-1,200



87

IKHSHIDID, MUHAMMAD B. TUGHJ (323-334h)

Donative half-dirham with broad margins, Misr 324h

OBVERSE: with double marginal legends
 WEIGHT: 1.30g
 REFERENCE: cf Bacharach 212 (of full dirham weight)
 CONDITION: *Struck from rusty dies, very fine to good very fine and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £800-1,200



88

IKHSHIDID, MUHAMMAD B. TUGHJ (323-334h)

Donative dirham, without mint-name, 332h

OBVERSE: In margin: *la ilaha illa Allah Muhammad rasul Allah*
 In field: *lillah | al-Muttaqi | lillah*
 REVERSE: In margin: *bismillah duriba sanat ithnayn wa thalathin wa thalath mi'a*
 In field: *billah | al-Ikhshid | al-nasir*
 WEIGHT: 3.28g
 REFERENCE: Bacharach –
 CONDITION: *Broken in half and glued, some staining, otherwise good very fine and of the highest rarity, apparently unpublished*

ESTIMATE: £1,000-1,500



Misr 358h (N. 349)



Misr, Muharram 362h (N. 365)



Misr 383h (N. 720)



Misr 386h (N. 1070)



Misr 419h (N. 1521)



al-Iskandariya 481h (N. 1688)



Misr 492h (N. 2420)



Misr 511h (N. 2532)



Misr 540h (N. 2634)

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A COLLECTION OF 102 FATIMID GOLD DINARS FROM EGYPTIAN MINTS, comprising:

AL-MU'IZZ (341-365h)

Misr 358h, 361h, 363h, 364h, 365h

Misr, month of Sha'ban, 359h; month of Jumada al-Awwal, 361h; month of Jumada al-Akhir, 360h, 362h; month of Muharram, 362h

AL-'AZIZ (365-386h)

Misr 366h, 368h, 369h, 370h, 373h, 374h, 375h, 377h, 379h, 381h, 382h, 383h, 384h, 385h, 386h

AL-HAKIM (386-411h)

Misr 386h (Nicol 1070, with double marginal legends on both sides), *rare*

Misr 387h, 388h, 389h, 390h, 394h, 395h, 396h, 400h, 401h (Nicol 1088), 402h, 403h, 404h (Nicol 1092), 405h (Nicol 1093), 408h, 411h

AL-ZAHIR (411-427h)

Misr 413h, 414h, 415h, 416h, 417h, 418h, 419h, 427h

AL-MUSTANSIR (427-487h)

Al-Iskandariya 465h, 470h, 471h (*pierced*), 473h, 475h, 481h, 487h

Misr 428h, 429h, 431h, 432h, 433h, 435h, 437h, 438h, 439h, 440h (2 – both types), 441h, 442h, 443h, 444h, 445h, 446h, 447h, 452h, 453h, 455h, 457h, 460h, 473h, 484h, 487h

AL-MUSTA'LI (487-495h)

Al-Iskandariya 488h (*pierced*)

Misr 492h, *rare*

AL-MANSUR (495-526h)

Al-Iskandariya 5xx, 512h

Al-Mu'izziya al-Qahira 51x (*pierced and ex-mount*)

Misr 495, 503h, 504h, 508h, 510h, 511h, 512h, 514h, 516h, 524h

AL-HAFIZ (526-544h)

Misr 526h, 533h, 536h, 540h, 544h

all in envelopes with identifications and references to Nicol, mainly good fine to very fine, some better

ESTIMATE: £20,000-30,000

The Fatimids took control of Egypt from the Ikhshidids in 358h (an example of this first year is included in the collection), and held it for more than two centuries until the dynasty at last fell to Saladin and the Ayyubids. The collection offered here includes several dinars of al-Mu'izz which bear the name of the month as well as the year of issue, good runs of dates for al-'Aziz and al-Hakim, and several rare dates for al-Zahir. Individual highlights include the rare dinar of Misr 386h struck in the first year of al-Hakim's reign, the al-Iskandariya 487h dinar issued in the final year of al-Mustansir's long rule, and the two coins of al-Musta'li. Further images and details of the individual coins in the collection are available upon request.

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90

FATIMID, AL-MAHDI (297-322h)

Dinar, without mint-name, 311h

OBVERSE: In field: *billah | la ilaha illa | Allah wahdahu | la sharik lahu | amir al-mu'minin*
 REVERSE: In field: *'Abdallah | Muhammad | rasul | Allah | al-Mahdi*
 WEIGHT: 4.22g
 REFERENCE: cf Nicol 93a, with different legends in fields
 CONDITION: *Edge marks, otherwise about very fine and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £700-1,000

The arrangement of legends in the fields on this coin appears to be unpublished.



91

FATIMID, AL-MU'IZZ (341-365h)

Dinar, al-Mansuriya 343h

OBVERSE: In centre: *al-'azzama lillah*
 REVERSE: In centre: *al-'izza lillah*
 WEIGHT: 4.14g
 REFERENCE: Nicol 390

CONDITION: *Pierced, almost very fine and very rare*

ESTIMATE: £700-1,000

This rare type with Shi'ite legends and beautiful calligraphy was struck only in 342h and 343h. This is much the rarer of the two dates.



92

FATIMID, AL-MU'IZZ (341-365h)

Dinar, al-Mahdiya 345h

WEIGHT: 4.01g
 REFERENCE: cf Nicol 472 [353h]
 CONDITION: *Wavy flan, fine and apparently unpublished*

ESTIMATE: £1,200-1,500

This is the earliest date known for full dinars of al-Mu'izz from the mint of al-Mahdiyya.



93
FATIMID, AL-MU'IZZ (341-365h)
Dirham, Filastin 364h

WEIGHT: 2.63g
 REFERENCE: cf Nicol 342 [363h]
 CONDITION: *Some weak striking, almost very fine and extremely rare, apparently an unrecorded date*
 ESTIMATE: £700-1,000



94
FATIMID, AL-'AZIZ (365-386h)
Dinar, Sur 381h

WEIGHT: 4.12g
 REFERENCE: Nicol 610
 CONDITION: *Good fine and extremely rare, only a single specimen of this mint and date recorded by Nicol*
 ESTIMATE: £800-1,200



95
FATIMID, AL-HAKIM (386-411h)
Dinar, Barqa 409h

OBVERSE: In margin: date engraved in full on the die
 WEIGHT: 4.18g
 REFERENCE: cf Nicol 895, with only part of the date included in the marginal legend
 CONDITION: *Struck from rusty dies, very fine and extremely rare*
 ESTIMATE: £3,500-4,500



96
FATIMID/MIRDASID: AL-MUSTANSIR (427-487h)
Dinar, Halab 432h

OBVERSE: In centre: *al-Imam | Ma'add Abu Tamim | al-Mustansir billah | Amir al-Mu'minin*
 REVERSE: In inner margin: *'Izz (?) al-Muzaffar*
 WEIGHT: 4.37g
 REFERENCE: cf Morton & Eden auction 63, 22 April 2013, lot 87 [as 433h], *same dies*
 CONDITION: *Good very fine and extremely rare*
 ESTIMATE: £1,800-2,200

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97
FATIMID: AL-MUSTANSIR (427-487h)
Dinar, Halab 433h

OBVERSE: In field: *al-Imam Ma'add | Abu Tamim al-Mustansir | billah Amir al-Mu'minin | al-muzaffar*
 WEIGHT: 4.25g
 REFERENCE: Nicol –
 CONDITION: *Slightly buckled flan, otherwise about extremely fine and extremely rare*
 ESTIMATE: £2,000-3,000



*98
FATIMID: AL-MUSTANSIR (427-487h)
Dinar, Zabid 445h

WEIGHT: 2.48g
 REFERENCE: Nicol 1738
 CONDITION: *On a wavy flan, good very fine and with handsome calligraphy, very rare*
 ESTIMATE: £2,500-3,500



99
FATIMID: AL-MUSTANSIR (427-487h)
Dinar, al-Mahdiya 452h

WEIGHT: 4.11g
 REFERENCE: cf Nicol 2224 [450h]
 CONDITION: *Good fine and excessively rare, apparently unpublished*
 ESTIMATE: £1,200-1,500

This is a previously unrecorded date for dinars from the mint of al-Mahdiya.



100
AYYUBID, AL-KAMIL I (615-635h)
Dinar, Misr 623h

WEIGHT: 6.99g
 REFERENCE: Balog 383
 CONDITION: *About extremely fine and rare*
 ESTIMATE: £1,000-1,500



‡101

**FULAYTID SHARIFS OF MAKKA, MUKATHTHIR B. 'ISA AL-FULAYTA (584-593h)
Dirham, Makka, undated**

OBVERSE: In margin: *duriba hadha al-dirham bi-Makka*
In field: *al-amir* | *Mukaththir*
REVERSE: In margin: *la ilaha illa Allah Muhammad rasul Allah*
In field: *al-imam* | *Ahmad*
WEIGHT: 1.17g
REFERENCE: cf Album 1159M RRR
CONDITION: *Very fine and of the highest rarity, apparently unpublished*

ESTIMATE £3,000-4,000

The type listed by Album, citing a single example on Zeno, lacked mint, date, and even denomination. On the present coin, however, the mint-name *Makka* is particularly clear, and the obverse legend confirms that these small coins were indeed called dirhams as Album suggests.

The Fulaytid Sharifs controlled Makka during the latter part of the sixth century, until Mukaththir's son Muhammad was defeated and killed by Qatada b. Idris *circa* 600h. Qatada's descendants were to continue as Sharifs of Makka thereafter until AD1916/1335h.



‡102

**AYYUBIDS IN MAKKA, AL-KAMIL I (615-635h)
Dirham, Makka 631h**

WEIGHT: 1.94g
REFERENCE: cf Spink Zurich auction 31, 20 June 1989, lot 103
CONDITION: *Edge splits and some central weakness, fine and very rare*

ESTIMATE: £1,200-1,500



‡103

**MUKRAMID, NASIR AL-DIN (fl. 411-427h)
Dinar, 'Uman 427h**

WEIGHT: 4.85g
REFERENCES: Album 1164 RR; 'Uman p.138
CONDITION: *Evenly struck, better than very fine for issue and rare*

ESTIMATE: £700-1,000



104

JULANDID, ABU'L-MUTTALIB (fl. 342-347h)
Dirham, Tanah 346h

WEIGHT: 3.06g
 REFERENCE: Album 1586M, RRR
 CONDITION: *Toned, almost very fine for issue and extremely rare*

ESTIMATE: £600-800

The Julandids were an Omani dynasty with their capital at Huzu, formerly an important port. Tanah appears to have been a town between Huzu and the mint-town of Siraf (Album p.176, note to 1586M).



105

SELJUQ OF RUM, 'IZZ AL-DIN KAYKA'US (644-647h)
Dinar, Qunya 644h

WEIGHT: 4.66g
 REFERENCES: Broome 309; Artuk 1121
 CONDITION: *Almost uncirculated*

ESTIMATE: £1,400-1,600



106

SELJUQ OF RUM, THE THREE BROTHERS (647-657h)
Dinar, Qunya 648h

OBVERSE: mint and date in field
 REVERSE: naming the three brothers as *'Izz al-dunya wa'l-din Kayka'us wa Rukn al-dunya wa'l-din Qilij Arslan wa 'Ala al-dunya wa'l-din Kayqubadh bin (sic) Kaykhusraw*
 WEIGHT: 4.54g
 REFERENCE: Tevhid 1286
 CONDITION: *Virtually as struck and lustrous*

ESTIMATE: £1,400-1,600



107

OTTOMAN, SELIM II (974-982h)
Sultani, Novabirda 974h

WEIGHT: 3.42g
 REFERENCE: Pere 240
 CONDITION: *Very fine and rare*
 ESTIMATE: £700-1,000



108

SAFFARID, 'AMR B. AL-LAYTH (265-288h)
Dinar, Madinat Zaranj 271h

OBVERSE: In field: citing 'Amr b. al-Layth
 WEIGHT: 3.96g
 REFERENCES Lloyd GZa271 = Qatar 3, 3570
 CONDITION: *Matte surfaces, good very fine and extremely rare*
 ESTIMATE: £1,500-2,000



‡109

SAFFARID, 'AMR B. AL-LAYTH (265-288h)
Dinar, Jannaba 278h

OBVERSE: In field: citing the caliphal heir *al-Mu'tadid billah* and 'Amr b. al-Layth
 REVERSE: In field: citing the caliph and *al-Mufawwad ala Allah*
 WEIGHT: 4.48g
 REFERENCE: cf Lloyd Jn278 for a dirham of this mint and date with similar legends
 CONDITION: *Calligraphy somewhat crude, good fine and excessively rare, unpublished*
 ESTIMATE: £1,500-2,000



‡110

SAFFARID, TAHIR B. MUHAMMAD (288-296h)
Dirham, 'Uman 295h

WEIGHT: 4.10g
 REFERENCES: Qatar 3231; Oman p.129
 CONDITION: *About very fine and extremely rare*
 ESTIMATE: £1,500-2,000



111

SAMANID REBEL, IBRAHIM B. AHMAD (fl. 335h)

Dinar, Naysabur 335h

REVERSE: In field: *lillah | Muhammad rasul | Allah | Sali Allah 'alayhi | al-Mustakfi billah | Ibrahim b. Ahmad*
 WEIGHT: 4.30g
 REFERENCES: Album 1458; Wilkes 1512
 CONDITION: *About very fine and very rare*

ESTIMATE: £600-800



‡112

SAMANID, NUH B. NASR (331-341h)

Dinar, without mint-name, 340h

OBVERSE: In margin: *al-dinar* in mint/date formula slightly blundered with one extra 'tooth', and with scroll-ornament above *sanat*
 WEIGHT: 4.12g
 CONDITION: *Minor edge marks, very fine to good very fine and very rare*

ESTIMATE: £700-1,000

It has also been suggested that the mint legend should be read *duriba hadha al-dinar bi-Lur sanat...*, but this presents two problems: the word *dinar* would then have to be written without a long *alif* (which would differ from the spelling found on Samanid dinars struck in Naysabur during this year), while the name *Lur* would lack the usual long *u* and simply be written *l-r*.



113

BUWAYHID, RUKN AL-DAWLA

Donative half-dirham with broad margins, Madinat al-Salam 347h

OBVERSE: In inner margin: *bismillah duriba bi-Madinat al-Salam sanat...* (i.e. without name of denomination)
 In field: letters *'ayn* and *'ra* above, below religious legend: *Mu'izz al-dawla | Abu'l-Husayn | Buwayh*
 REVERSE: In field, below name of caliph: *Rukn al-dawla | Abu 'Ali | Buwayh*
 WEIGHT: 1.50g
 REFERENCE: cf Treadwell Ms347G, dies O2/R2 for a gold coin struck from these dies
 CONDITION: *Extremely fine and apparently unrecorded in silver*

ESTIMATE: £700-1,000

The mint/date formula lacks the denomination and so would be suitable for striking both gold and silver coins. The gold specimen from these dies illustrated by Treadwell (Shamma 8207) also appears to be a half-dinar by weight, much as the present coin is intended as a half-dirham, although the broad outer margins are not visible on the gold striking.



‡114

BUWAYHID, ABU KALLJAR

Dinar, Amul 438h

OBVERSE: In field: *Shah | la ilaha illa Allah | wahdahu la sharik lahu | Shahanshah al-A- | 'zama malik al-A- | rd*
 REVERSE: In field: *lillah | Muhammad rasul Allah | al-Qa'im bi-amr Allah | Fakhr Din Allah | Sultan Din Allah |*
Abu Kaljar | Buwayh
 WEIGHT: 3.18g
 CONDITION: *Very fine to good very fine and of the highest rarity, apparently unpublished*

ESTIMATE: £1,000-1,500

This unrecorded coin sheds new light on the history of Amul during the fifth century. Writing in 1967 Stern knew of no coins from Amul for the century between 388h (a Buwayhid dirham) and 486h (a Seljuq dinar). Since then three dinars of Amul dated 437h, 439h and 441h have come to light (see Diler p. 27), all struck in the name of the Great Seljuq ruler Tughril Beg, suggesting that Stern was correct to assume that Amul came under Seljuq control during the course of the 5/11th century. The present piece, however, demonstrates that the Buwayhid Abu Kaljar was able to strike coins in his name in Amul for at least this one year during this period of Seljuq rule. It may have been this that prompted the Seljuqs themselves to issue coins there at this time and thereby confirm their own authority, given that Amul otherwise seems to have been largely inactive as a mint for the decades between 390-480h.



115

'ALID RULER OF DAYLAM, ABU'L-HASAN (fl. 434h)

Dirham, Daylam 434h

OBVERSE: In margin: Qur'an 9:33; in field: *la ilaha illa | Allah wahdahu | la sharik lahu | Ali wali Allah*
 REVERSE: In margin: mint and date; in field: *al-mahdi li-din | Allah Abu'l-Hasan | hasbi Allah*
 WEIGHT: 2.77g
 CONDITION: *With old loop-mount, very fine and of the highest rarity, believed unique*

ESTIMATE: £2,000-3,000



116

GREAT SELJUQ, ALP ARSLAN (455-465h)

Dinar, Marw 460h

OBVERSE: In margin: name and titles of Alp Arslan followed by Qur'an 30:3-4
 In field: the ninety-nine *asma al-husna* in ten lines, around which: *la ilaha illa Allah – wahdahu la sharik lahu – Muhammad rasul Allah – al-Qa'im bi-amr Allah*
 REVERSE: In margin: *bismillah al-rahman al-rahim qull huwa Allah ahad Allah al-samad lam yalid wa lam yulad wa lam yakun lahu kufua ahad bismillah duriba hadha al-dinar bi-Marw sanat sitting wa arba' mi'at*
 In field: the ninety-nine *asma al-husna* (concluded) in ten lines
 WEIGHT: 4.42g
 REFERENCE: cf Artuk 1047 = Alptekin 73 = Ilisch 27 (dated 461h)
 CONDITION: *Has been mounted and gilt, fair to fine and excessively rare*

ESTIMATE: £3,000-4,000

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117

ILKHANID, ULJAYTU (703-716h)

Medallion of 25-dinars weight, Madinat Baghdad 710h

- OBVERSE:** In margin: the names and titles of the twelve Imams
In field: 'Abdallah | la ilaha illa Allah | al-malik al-haqq al-mubin | Muhammad rasul Allah | al-sadiq al-waʿad al-amin | ʿAli wali Allah al-muʿminin | Sali Allah ʿalayhi wa [salam] | [unread]
To right, above, and left: inna al-din – ʿinda Allah - al-Islam
- REVERSE:** In margin: Qurʾan 9:33-34
In central quadrilobe: duriba fi | ayyam dawla al-mawla | al-Sultan al-aʿzam malik riqab | al-imam Uljaytu Sultan Ghiyath | al-dunya waʾl-din Khudabanda Muhammad | khallada Allah | mulkahu
In quadrants: lillah al-amr min qabl wa in baʿd | ULJAYTU SULTAN (in Uyghur) | duriba Madinat Baghdad | sanat tisaʾ wa sabaʾ miʿat
- WEIGHT:** 101.48g
- REFERENCE:** cf Diler 364 for smaller contemporary issues with mostly similar legends
- CONDITION:** Flat area on each side, probably where damage from mounting has been repaired, edge smoothed, two indentations in reverse field and scattered marks, generally very fine and of the highest rarity
- ESTIMATE:** £100,000-200,000

The tradition of producing special coins and medallions of exceptional size and weight goes back to the Classical world. A number of Roman medallions still exist today, and the practice continued into the Byzantine period as exemplified by the celebrated medallion weighing 36 solidi produced by Justinian I. Even larger pieces are mentioned by contemporary writers who otherwise paid scant attention to numismatic matters; then, as now, giant coins were regarded as something notable and important.

In the Islamic world, the practice of producing special coins dates back to the Abbasid period, with the caliph al-Mutawakkil (232-247h) perhaps the first to begin producing them regularly and in a relatively consistent format. Al-Mutawakkil's donative gold and silver coins appear to have been identical to currency issues in legends and weight, but the calligraphy was especially fine and the design was slightly modified so as to leave a wide, plain border around the legends themselves. Apart from making them stand out from regular coins, this would of course have permitted mounting without damage to the legends, and these donative issues are indeed often found pierced or fitted with loops. It seems that these presentation coins were bestowed at court by the caliph himself, meaning that to receive one was a mark of his favour and so it is not surprising that a person would want to publicise the fact by mounting and wearing the coin publicly. Under al-Mutawakkil's successors the practice was introduced of striking smaller donatives as well as medallions of standard weight, with the lighter coins possibly intended to be scattered over the heads of the populace on ceremonial occasions. Interestingly, these fractional gold dinars sometimes survive mounted as ear-rings, suggesting that women might receive and display these special coins also.

Under the later Abbasids, and also the Buwayhids, larger donatives soon followed. An Abbasid silver five-dirham piece dated 325h is known (Ilisch D III 24), while the Buwayhids struck a gold five-dinar piece at Baghdad in 351h (Ilisch DI 20) and a magnificent ten-dinar medallion weighing 42.96g at al-Muhammadiya in 362h (Morton & Eden auction 73, 23 April 2015, lot 166). The latter appears to be the heaviest surviving Islamic gold coin until the Abbasid caliph al-Nasir produced a marginally heavier piece to mark his accession in 575h (Ilisch 49, weight 44.50g). But it seems that the Buwayhids were the most enthusiastic and innovative dynasty for issuing donative coins at this period: as well as struck medallions such as those mentioned above, cast portrait pieces were also produced (the casting process being preferred because the large flan made it difficult to strike portraits with sufficient relief). Even more remarkable is the astonishing coin of 1,000 dinars weight (presumably equivalent to more than 4kg of gold!) which Ibn al-ʿAthir claims was struck by the Buwayhid Fakhr al-dawla at Jurjan in 378h. Sadly, if this ever existed we must assume it has long since been melted (from Ilisch, note to no. 22). Indeed, the sheer size and intrinsic value of massive donative dinars such as the present coin must account for their great rarity today. Once the ruler who had issued a particular medallion had died, been killed or had otherwise fallen from power, it may well have been unwise to remind the head of the new regime that one had been close to his predecessor. As these huge medallions were simply too large to be convenient or practical as circulating coin, doubtless many of them ended up in the melting pot.

GHIYATH AL-DIN ULJAYTU succeeded his brother Ghazan Mahmud as the eighth Ilkhanid ruler in 703h. Originally baptized a Christian like his mother, when he was initially named 'Nikola' in honour of Pope Nicholas IV, he later converted to Buddhism and finally to Islam. Uljaytu nevertheless married the sister of the Byzantine emperor Andronikos II and went to considerable lengths to maintain diplomatic relations with Christian Europe. His reign was marked by inconclusive campaigns into Gilan and also against Mamluk Egypt, where initial success was thwarted by supply problems and plague among his troops. Domestically, he faced continual discontent in Anatolia, where the brutality of Ilkhanid rule caused repeated insurrections, but he proved able to quell a revolt in Khurasan and restore peace there. He died at the age of 36, having fallen ill during a hunting expedition, and was succeeded in 716h by his son, Abu Sa'id.

After his conversion to Islam, Uljaytu initially espoused Sunni beliefs (first the Hanafi and later the Shafi'i school) before finally adopting Shi'ism. Numismatically, these events are reflected in his coinage: Uljaytu introduced the names of the four *rashidun* as a regular feature of the legends, and after adopting Shi'ism he also added the names of the Twelve Imams, as seen in the obverse margin here.

Apart from its exceptional size, the legends on this piece are almost identical to those found on regular dinars struck in Baghdad in this year (Diler 364). Much like the Buwayhid ten-dinars mentioned earlier, its impact is that of an exceptionally large and impressive coin rather than recalling the style of a portrait medallion. This impression is confirmed by the weight, which at 101.48g is extremely close to that of a *silver* presentation medallion struck at Tabriz in 724h by Uljaytu's son, Abu Sa'id (Ilisch 27). Ilisch describes the latter coin, which weighs 103.65g, as being equivalent to ten Ilkhanid silver dinars, but whatever the precise metrology it seems extremely likely that both pieces were designed to the same standard, and one which would fit comfortably within the existing Ilkhanid system.



XRF analysis conducted by Messrs Oxford X-ray Fluorescence Ltd earlier this year confirms that metal in the smoothed area on this coin has different trace elements from the rest of the piece, suggesting that gold from another source has been used here to effect a repair. It would be surprising, as noted above, if such a magnificent presentation medallion as this had *not* been mounted for display, and it may be noted that the line-drawing published by Ilisch showing the silver medallion of Abu Sa'id mentioned above also shows clear evidence of past mounting.

A certificate from Oxford X-ray Fluorescence Ltd, confirming the trace elements and fineness of the gold in both the main and smoothed parts of the piece is offered with the lot.

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118

Arab-Sasanian, Yazdigerd III type, drachm, SK 20YE (=31h), with countermark 11 in first obverse marginal quadrant, 3.21g (SICA 1, 357), good very fine

£100-150



122

Arab-Sasanian, Khusraw II type, drachm, MY 48h, with countermark, 3.67g, good fine, rare

£180-220



119

Arab-Sasanian, Khusraw II type, drachm, WYH (Bihqubadh) 37h, 3.37g (SICA 1, p.7, note 19), lightly clipped, good very fine and scarce

£150-200



123

Arab-Sasanian, 'Abd al-Rahman b. Zayd (c.52-54h), drachm, BN (unidentified mint) 54h, 2.99g (Wilkes 9), clipped and cleaned, about very fine and very rare

£250-300



120

Arab-Sasanian, Ziyad b. Abi Sufyan, drachm, DA (Darabjird) 43YE, rev., variety with star to left of fire-altar, 4.10g (SICA 1, 239), tiny edge chip and traces of deposit, almost extremely fine

£80-120



124

Arab-Sasanian, 'Abd al-Rahman b. Zayd, drachm, GY (Jiruft) 54h, 2.70g (Wilkes 9), clipped, otherwise very fine, very rare

£300-400



121

Arab-Sasanian, Mu'awiya, drachm, DA (Darabjird) 43YE, 4.15g (SICA 1, 245), slightly wavy flan, about extremely fine and scarce

£150-200



125

Arab-Sasanian, 'Abd al-Rahman b. Zayd, drachm, NAR (Narmashir) 54h, 2.88g (SICA 1, 342), clipped and cleaned, otherwise very fine, rare

£200-250



126

Arab-Sasanian, al-Hakam b. Abi'l-'As (c. 54-58h), drachm, GRM (unidentified mint) 56h, 2.76g (Wilkes 10), *edge chip, lightly cleaned, some peripheral corrosion, otherwise very fine, very rare* £200-250



131

Arab-Sasanian, Talha b. 'Abdallah (c. 64-66h), drachm, SK (Sijistan) 64h, 3.94g (SCC 86), *very fine to good very fine* £150-200



127

Arab-Sasanian, al-Hakam b. Abi'l-'As (c. 54-58h), drachm, NAR (Narmashir) 58h, 2.49g (SICA 1, 345), *clipped and cleaned, otherwise very fine, rare* £150-200



132

Arab-Sasanian, Talha b. 'Abdallah (c. 64-66h), drachm, SK (Sijistan) 65h, 3.11g (SICA 1, -; SCC -), *clipped and cleaned, otherwise very fine, the date extremely rare* £400-500



128

Arab-Sasanian, 'Ubaydallah b. Ziyad (54-64h), drachm, SYWN (unidentified mint) 60h, 3.18g (SCC 74), *cleaned, some deposit in margins, about very fine and rare* £150-200



133

Arab-Sasanian, 'Abd al-Malik b. 'Abdallah (66-67h), drachm BYŠ (Bishapur) 67h, 3.90g (SICA 1, 155), *lightly cleaned, very fine* £200-250



134

Arab-Sasanian, 'Abdallah b. al-Zubayr, drachm, DA-G (Jahrum) 54ye, 3.73g (Album 16); **Salm b. Ziyad**, drachm, MRW (Marw) 64h, 3.97g (Album 18); **al-Muhallab b. Abi Sufra**, drachm, BYSh (Bishapur) 76h, 3.74g (Album 31), *very fine, the first and last cleaned (3)* £150-200

129

Arab-Sasanian, 'Abdallah b. Khazim (fl. 62-72h), drachm, MRW (Marw) 65h, three countermarks in obverse border, 4.02g (Walker 168), *almost extremely fine* £150-200



135

Arab-Sasanian, 'Umar b. 'Ubaydallah (67-72h), drachm, WYHC (Arrajan) 71h, 3.14g (SICA 1, 479), *fine, rare* £600-800



130

Arab-Sasanian, 'Abdallah b. Khazim (fl. 62-72h), drachm, MRW (Marw) 69h, countermarked *ja'iz* in obverse margin, 3.92g (SICA 1, 336), *good very fine* £150-200



136
Arab-Sasanian, Qatari b. al-Fuja'a (c.69-79h), drachm, BYŠ (Bishapur) 75h, 3.18g (SICA 1, 193ff), *clipped, otherwise about very fine* £250-300



141
Arab-Sasanian, 'Ubaydallah b. Abi Bakra, drachm, SK (Sijistan) 79h, 3.92g (Album 37), *very fine* £120-150



137
Arab-Sasanian, 'Atiya b. al-Aswad (fl.70-77h), drachm, KRMAN (Kirman) 73h, 3.65h (Wilkes 29), *cleaned, otherwise very fine* £150-180



142
Arab-Sasanian, Qatari b. al-Fuja'a, drachm, ART (Ardashir Khurrs) 75h, *obv., with la hukma illa lillah in margin, 3.80g (SICA 1, 33), some corrosion in borders both sides, very fine to good very fine* £400-600



138
Arab-Sasanian, 'Atiya b. al-Aswad (fl. 70-77h), drachm, KRMAN-NAT (unidentified mint) 73h, 3.82g (Wilkes 29), *cleaned, otherwise very fine, scarce* £150-180



143
Arab-Sasanian, al-Hajjaj b. Yusuf (75-95h), drachm, ART (Ardashir Khurra) 77h, full *shahada* in obverse margin, 3.94g (SICA 1, 40), *good fine, rare* £200-250



139
Arab-Sasanian, Humran b. Aban (72h), drachm, ART (Ardashir Khurra) 72h, 2.74g (SICA 1, 30), *clipped good fine and rare* £300-400



144
Arab-Sasanian, al-Hajjaj b. Yusuf (75-95h), drachm, ART (Ardashir Khurra) 80h, 2.12g (SICA 1, 41), *clipped, some staining, fine and rare* £150-200



140
Arab-Sasanian, 'Umayya b. 'Abdallah (c.73-77h), drachm, BBA (camp mint) 77h, 2.85g (SCC 170), *clipped and lightly cleaned, otherwise very fine* £200-250



145
Arab-Sasanian, al-Hajjaj b. Yusuf, drachm, BYŠ (Bishapur) 78h, full *shahada* in obverse margin, 3.60g (SICA 1, 220), *cleaned, minor deposit in obverse margin, otherwise very fine* £150-200

146

Arab-Sasanian, al-Hajjaj b. Yusuf, drachms (2), BYŠ (Bishapur) 79h and 80h, 3.61, 3.51g (SICA 1, 222, 226), *first with edge chip, second with some spotting on obverse, fine to good fine* (2) £150-200



147

Arab-Sasanian, al-Hajjaj b. Yusuf, drachm, BYŠ (Bishapur) 80h, *lillah al-hamd* in obverse margin, 3.55g (SICA 1, 227), *some peripheral staining, very fine* £150-200



148

Arab-Sasanian, al-Hajjaj b. Yusuf, drachm, YZ (Yazd) 81h, *bismillah* in obverse margin, 3.94g (SICA 1, 493 var), *cleaned, about very fine, this variety apparently unpublished* £400-500

Coins of this date and type normally bear the name Mansur in Pahlavi in the obverse margin.



149

Arab-Sasanian, 'Abd al-Rahman b. Muhammad (fl. 80-83h), drachm, SK (Sijistan) 80h, *obv.*, in margin: YZ - *bismillah*, 3.74g (cf SCC 179 [81h]), *some deposit, very fine and a rare variety* £120-150



150

Arab-Sasanian, 'Abd al-Rahman b. Muhammad (fl. 80-83h), drachm, SK (Sijistan) 81h, 3.95g (SCC 178), *some staining, good very fine* £120-150



151

Arab-Sasanian, 'Abd al-Rahman b. Muhammad (fl. 80-83h), drachm, SK (Sijistan) 82h, *obv.*, in margin: *bismillah*, 3.78g, *very fine, scarce* £120-150



152

Arab-Sasanian, 'Abd al-Rahman b. Muhammad, drachm, SK (Sijistan) 81h?, *crescent and bismillah* *rabbi* in obverse margin, 3.72g (Album 38A; Wilkes 52), *very fine* £120-150



153

Arab-Sasanian, 'Abd al-Rahman b. Muhammad (fl. 80-83h), drachm, BYŠ (Bishapur) 82h, 3.81g (SICA 1, 230), *edge clip, fine and very rare* £400-500

154

Arab-Sasanian, 'Abd al-Rahman b. Muhammad, drachms (2), SK (Sijistan), both with blundered date, *bismillah - rabbi* in obverse margin, 3.76, 3.77g (Album 38A; Wilkes 52), *very fine* (2) £180-220



155

Arab-Sasanian, 'Umara b. Tamim, drachm, SK (Sijistan) 84h, *obv.*, in margin: NYWK- *bismillah - rabbi*, 3.94g (SICA I, p.34, note 194; Album C40 RRR; Wilkes 57 'Extremely rare'), *toned, good very fine and extremely rare* £800-1,200

The word transliterated as NYWK is also found on Tabaristan hemidrachms, where it means 'good' (see Malek p.43). It is not mentioned in the description of the specimen mentioned in the SICA 1 footnote.



156

Arab-Sasanian, 'Umara b. Tamim, drachm, SK (Sijistan) 84h, without NYWK in obverse margin, 3.99g (Album C40 RRR; Wilkes 57 'Extremely rare'), *almost extremely fine and very rare* £500-700



157

Arab-Sasanian, 'Umara b. Tamim, drachm, SK (Sijistan) 85h, 3.98g (Album C40 RRR; Wilkes 57 'Extremely rare'), *good very fine and very rare* £400-600

158

Arab-Sasanian, Abay, pashiz, Bishapur (Gyselen 8), *pierced*, and other pashiz (4), all Byzantine types, *fine* (5) £100-150

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159

Arab-Sasanian, Anonymous, pashiz, DA (Darabjird) 68ye, 3.78g (Gyselen 10b; Album 45.1), *about very fine, scarce* £100-150

160

Arab-Sasanian fulus (3), comprising issues of Daray, Bishapur, no date, nimbate bust facing, *rev.*, gopatshah (Gyselen 7), and Farrozzad 104h (2), both bust right, *rev.*, fire-altar (Gyselen 16 [2]), *cleaned fair to fine* (3) £100-150



161

Arab-Byzantine, pseudo-Byzantine fals, Imperial bust with unread legend to either side of head, *rev.*, large M flanked by two standing figures, *in ex.*, blundered SCL (for *Sicilia*), 2.55g (cf SICA 1, 530; Foss 25; Oddy 6.25), *good fine/very fine, rare* £120-150

162

Arab-Byzantine, fals, three standing figures type, Tabariya, 2.83g (Album 3512); fals, two standing figures type, Dimashq, 4.92g (Album 3513.1), *fine* (2) £120-150



163

Arab-Byzantine, fals, three standing figures, *rev.*, large M, *fiis - al-haqq - bi-Baysan* around, 3.47g (Album 3512R), *about very fine and rare* £150-200

164

Arab-Byzantine, fals, standing figure type, Dimashq, 4.35g (Album 3517.2); fals, standing figure type, no mint, *al-wafa lil-lah* on reverse, 4.12g (Album 3523); fals, facing bust type, Hims, 3.96g (Album 3524), *fine or better* (3) £100-150



165

Arab-Byzantine, fals, Tartus/Antarados, Imperial bust type, 4.65g (SICA 1, 599, *same reverse die*; Foss 79), *about very fine and rare* £200-300



166

Arab-Byzantine, fals, twin figures derived from Justin and Sophia, *rev.*, large letter K with *Baysan* to left, 3.14g (Foss 85), *fair/good fine with clear reverse, rare* £120-150



167

Arab-Byzantine, fals, two figures type, 'Amman, one seated and one standing figure, *rev.* large M, mint-name to left, 2.90g (Album 3526 RRR), *fine, very rare* £300-500

168

Arab-Byzantine, fulus (2): Ma'arrat Misrin, standing caliph with title *khalifat Allah*, *rev.*, modified cross-on-steps with mint-name to left and right, 2.09g (SICA 1, 674ff), *fine*; and Tanukh, *rev.*, modified cross-on-steps with *bi-Tanukh* to right, 4.51g (SICA 1, 656), *struck on a small, dumpy flan, very fine and scarce with mint to right* (2) £150-200



169

Arab-Byzantine, 'Abd al-Malik b. Marwan, fals, Qurus, standing caliph, rev., modified cross-on-steps with *wafin* to left and mint-name to right, 3.18g (Walker p.40, J.2), fine to good fine and rare £200-300



173

Abbasid governors of Tabaristan, Mihran (fl. 170h), hemidrachm, TPWRSTAN PYE 135, 1.90g (Malek 92; Album 62 RR), minor staining and slightly weakly struck, otherwise about extremely fine with some lustre, rare £600-800



170

Abbasid governors of Tabaristan, 'Umar b. al-'Ala (fl. 155-165h), hemidrachm, TPWRSTAN PYE 125, with name in Pahlawi before bust and in Arabic in obverse margin, 2.00g (Malek 77; Album 57), minor spotting on obverse, otherwise good extremely fine and a rare one-year type £150-200



174

Abbasid governors of Tabaristan, Jarir (fl. 170-172h), hemidrachm, TPWRSTAN PYE 135, with *Jarir* in third quadrant of obverse margin, 2.07g (Malek 200; Album 64), extremely fine and rare £200-250



171

Abbasid governors of Tabaristan, Yahya b. Mikhnaq (fl.163-165h), hemidrachm, TPWRSTAN PYE 129, 1.83g (Malek 89; Album 60 RR), good very fine and very rare £500-700



175

Abbasid governors of Tabaristan, Ma'add (fl. 173h), hemidrachm, TPWRSTAN PYE 138, *obv.*, with governor's name in Arabic in fourth quarter of obverse margin, 1.89g (Malek 201; Album 67), some staining on obverse, about extremely fine and very rare £700-1,000



172

Abbasid governors of Tabaristan, Harashi (fl. 166h), hemidrachm, TPWRSTAN PYE 131, with *Harashi* to right of bust, 1.69g (Malek 91; Album 61 RR), edge slightly ragged, very fine and rare; Ibrahim (fl. 174-176h), hemidrachm, TPWRSTAN PYE 141, 2.15g (Malek 140; Album 72), weakly struck on face, good very fine and scarce (2) £250-300



176

Afrighid, Azkaswar II, drachm, bust right, rev. horseman with *al-Fadl* behind, 1.73g (Vainberg Group VI), creased, fine and rare £200-300



177

Afrighid, Azkaswar II, drachm, bust right, rev. horseman with *al-Fadl* behind, 2.07g (Vainberg Group VI), flan crack, fine and rare £200-300



178

Umayyad, dinar, 78h, 4.31g (Walker 198), *very faint edge marks and small scrape in obverse field, otherwise extremely fine* £500-700



179

Umayyad, dinar, 100h, 4.27g (Walker 216), *good very fine* £300-400



180

Umayyad, dinar, 121h, 4.26g (Walker 241), *obverse centre slightly weak, about extremely fine and scarce* £600-800



181

Umayyad, dirham, Adharbajyan 105h, *rev.*, without pellets below field, 2.85g (Klat 24.b), *minor marks, very fine and rare with plain reverse field* £150-200



182

Umayyad, dirham, Arminiya 100h, 2.58h (Klat 54), *cleaned, about very fine* £100-120



†183

Umayyad, dirham, Arminiya 103h, pellet below *b* and two pellets below *rm* of *bi-Arminiya*, 2.70g (Klat 57), *toned, good very fine* £150-200



184

Umayyad, dirham, Ifriqiya 101h, 2.76g (Klat 88), *toned, very fine or better, scarce* £300-400

185

Umayyad, dirhams (2), Ifriqiya 102h, 103h, 2.88, 2.92g (Klat 89, 90), *good very fine* (2) £150-200



186

Umayyad, dirham, Ifriqiya 105h, *rev.*, five single annulets, 2.92g (Klat 92.a), *almost extremely fine* £180-220



187

Umayyad, dirham, Ifriqiya 106h, without pellet below century of date 2.89g (Klat 93.1), *light deposit, good very fine and scarce* £150-200



†188

Umayyad, dirham, Ifriqiya 107h, 2.86g (Klat 94, citing three examples of this date), *some hoard-staining and pinmarks in fields, almost very fine and a very rare date* £700-1,000



189

Umayyad, dirham, Ifriqiya 112h, 2.96g (Klat 99), *extremely fine* £150-200



190
Umayyad, dirham, al-Andalus 104h, 2.97g (Klat 117), *almost extremely fine, with the circular guidelines used by the die-engraver visible on the obverse, rare* £600-800



195
Umayyad, dirham, al-Bab 120h, 2.89g (Klat 147), *extremely fine* £100-150



191
Umayyad, dirham, al-Andalus 108h, 2.93g (Klat 121), *minor weak striking, otherwise extremely fine and rare* £600-800



196
Umayyad, dirham, al-Bab 121h, 2.90g (Klat 148), *about extremely fine* £180-220



192
Umayyad, dirham, al-Andalus 110h, 2.75g (Klat 123), *good very fine, scarce* £300-400



197
Umayyad, dirham, al-Bab 124h, 2.90g (Klat 151), *extremely fine and rare* £500-600



193
Umayyad, dirham, al-Andalus 116h, 2.73g (Klat 129), *good very fine, scarce* £600-800



198
Umayyad, dirham, al-Bab 125h, 2.33g (Klat 152), *some staining, very fine to good very fine, scarce* £300-400



194
Umayyad, dirham, al-Andalus 119h, 2.95g (Klat 132), *minor deposit, about extremely fine and scarce* £300-400



199
Umayyad, dirham, Balkh 121h, with triplet of pellets over sharik, 2.93g (Klat 183), *very fine and rare* £300-400



200
Umayyad, dirham, Balkh 122h, with triplet of pellets over sharik, 2.92g (Klat 183 var.), *some deposit good very fine and rare* £300-400



201
Umayyad, dirham, al-Jazira 127h, 2.88g (Klat 223), *almost extremely fine*
£200-300



207
Umayyad, dirham, Dimashq 79h, 2.76g (Klat 323.b), *very fine, scarce*
£150-200



202
Umayyad, dirham, al-Jazira 129h, 2.80g (Klat 225), *good very fine*
£80-120



208
Umayyad, dirham, Ramhurmuz 90h, 2.87g (Klat 383), *minor spotting, about extremely fine*
£100-150



203
Umayyad, dirham, Junday Sabur 83h, 2.59g (Klat 237), *very fine, rare*
£250-300



209
Umayyad, dirham, Ramhurmuz 94h, 2.55g (Klat 387), *good fine, scarce*
£150-200



204
Umayyad, dirham, Jayy 81h, 2.86g (Klat 255.b), *good very fine*
£140-180



210
Umayyad, dirham, al-Rayy 94h, 2.86g (Klat 403), *extremely fine*
£120-150



205
Umayyad, dirham, Jayy 81h, 2.40g (Klat 255.b), *lightly clipped, almost very fine*
£100-150



211
Umayyad, dirham, Sabur 80h, 2.89g (Klat 416), *good very fine*
£120-150



206
Umayyad, dirham, Dabil 86h, 2.84g (Klat 287), *obverse double-struck, about extremely fine*
£500-700



212
Umayyad, dirham, Sabur 81h, unit of date reads *wahid*, 3.00g (Klat 417.b), *extremely fine*
£150-200



213
Umayyad, dirham, Sarakhs 95h, *rev.*, margin ends *mushrikun*, 2.80g (Klat 455.b), *almost very fine* £150-200



219
Umayyad, dirham, al-Kufa 80h, 2.93g (Klat 541), *horn silver on both sides, very fine* £150-200



‡214
Umayyad, dirham, Surraq 90h, 2.85g (Klat 464), *good very fine* £100-150



220
Umayyad, dirham, al-Kufa 81h, 2.50g (Klat 542), *fine and toned, scarce* £100-150



215
Umayyad, dirham, al-Sus 80h, 2.81g (Klat 477), *dark toning (somewhat uneven on reverse), very fine and rare* £500-700



221
Umayyad, dirham, Wasit 84h, 2.68g (Klat 679), *almost very fine, the scarce first year of issue* £150-200



216
Umayyad, dirham, al-Sus 90h, 2.85g (Klat 477), *good very fine* £150-200



222
Umayyad, fals, *rev.*, horseman riding left, star in left field, 3.66g (Walker 674 var.; Album 155 var., both with horseman to right), *good fine and rare* £150-200



217
Umayyad, dirham, Kirman 101h, 2.90g (Klat 532), *almost extremely fine* £60-80



223
Umayyad, fals, *rev.*, five-branched candelabrum, 3.33g (Album 163.2 RR), *fine, rare* £70-100



218
Umayyad, dirham, al-Kufa 79h, 2.80g (Klat 540), *almost extremely fine, rare* £500-700



‡224
Umayyad, fals, Arminiya, undated, 2.67g (Walker 746), *some spotting, very fine and scarce* £150-200

225
Umayyad, fals, al-Urdunn, 3.38g (Walker 743), *good fine*; **Abbasid**, fulus (2), both al-Ramla 217h, *fine* (3) £40-60



226

Umayyad, 'Abd al-Malik b. Marwan (132h), finance director in Egypt, fals, Atrib / Misr, 4.51g (Walker p.227, ANS.37), *sandy patina, good fine and very rare* £300-400



227

Umayyad, 'Abd al-Malik b. Marwan (132h), finance director in Egypt, fals, al-Iskandariya / Misr, 4.76g (Walker p.230, Kh.9), *red sandy patina, very fine and rare* £150-200



228

Umayyad, 'Abd al-Malik b. Marwan (132h), finance director in Egypt, fals, al-Fustat / Misr, 6.24g (Walker 910), *red patina, good very fine and well struck on a full flan, rare thus* £150-200



229

Umayyad, 'Abd al-Malik b. Marwan (132h), finance director in Egypt, fals, al-Fayyum / Misr, 6.21g (Walker p.276, P.141), *about very fine and very rare* £300-400



230

Umayyad, fals, al-Madinat Ma'din Amir al-Mu'minin, undated, *rev.*, in margin: *duriba bi'l-Madinat Ma'din Amir al-Mu'minin*, 3.20g (Album A183 RR), *good fine/very fine and rare* £500-700



231

Revolutionary period, temp. Abu Muslim, dirham, Marw 132h, 2.78g (Klat 606; Wurtzel 26), *almost very fine* £200-250



232

Revolutionary Period, 'Abdallah al-Saffah, fals, Tawwaj 132h, *obv.*, mint/date formula beginning in margin and concluding in field, *rev.*, in margin: Qur'an 42:23, 1.85g (Wurtzel 42 = Miles, *Excavation Coins from the Persepolis Region*, ANS NNM 143 (1959), no. 504; Album M209 RRR), *small part of edge chipped away, almost very fine and extremely rare* £400-600

The 'Abdallah amir al-mu'minin named on this coin is the Abbasid caliph al-Saffah (132-136h). As Wurtzel notes, the coin bears Qur'an 42:23 (the verse which became the slogan of the rebels who took up arms against the Umayyads) and therefore cannot be regarded as a formal Abbasid issue. It is likely, as Wurtzel further suggests, that it was struck by a local commander supporting al-Saffah and not by the Abbasid caliph himself.



233

Abbasid, temp. al-Saffah (132-136h), dirham, Suq al-Ahwaz 134h, 2.70g (Lowick 2021), *cleaned and corrosion removed, better than very fine and scarce* £120-150



234

Abbasid, temp. al-Saffah (132-136h), dirham, Nahr Tira 134h, 2.81g (Lowick 2019), *very fine and very rare, the only year in which this mint struck Abbasid silver* £300-400

235

Abbasid, temp. al-Saffah (132-136h) and al-Mansur (136-158h), dirhams (50), comprising: Arminiya 150h; al-Basra 133h, 134h (2), 137h, 139h (2), 141h, 142h (3), 143h, 144h (5), 145h (2), 146h (3), 147h, al-Kufa 132h, 134h, 137h, 138h, 139h, 141h (3), 142h (2), 144h (2), 145h (3), 147h; al-Muhammadiya 149h, 150h (2), 155h; Madinat al-Salam 149h (2), 152h, 156h (3), 157h, *fine to very fine* (50) £400-600



236

Abbasid, temp. al-Mansur, dinar, 139h, 4.26g (Lowick 190), *scraped on reverse, very fine* £200-250



237

Abbasid, temp. al-Mansur, dinar, 139h, *rev.*, triplet of pellets below, 3.96g (Lowick 192), *evenly clipped, almost very fine and a scarcer variety* £200-250



238

Abbasid, temp. al-Mansur, dinar, 143h, 4.20g (Lowick 204), *slight edge clip, good very fine* £200-250



239

Abbasid, temp. al-Mansur (136-158h), dinar, 152h, 3.83g (Lowick 239), *evenly clipped, good fine* £140-160



240

Abbasid, temp. al-Mansur, dinar, 155h, 4.24g (Lowick 247), *about extremely fine* £250-300

241

Abbasid, al-Mansur (136-158h), dirhams (4): Arran 152h (SCC 902); Arminiya 145h, 148h, 155h (SCC 866, 881, 914), *very fine or better, the first with minor deposit in margins* (4) £200-300



242

Abbasid, al-Mansur (136-158h), dirham, Ardashir Khurra 146h, 2.89g (Lowick 2033; SCC 872), *slightly bent, almost very fine, rare* £100-150

243

Abbasid, temp. al-Mansur (136-158h), dirhams (2), Arminiya 143h and 151h, 2.94, 2.59g (Vardanyan 6, 15), *some staining, good fine to very fine* (2) £80-120

244

Abbasid, al-Mansur (136-158h), dirham, Arminiya 150h and fals, Sabur 156h (*cleaned*); **al-Mahdi**, dirham, Madinat Jayy 162h; **al-Hadi**, dirhams (2), Kirman 169h, Jayy 171h, *generally very fine* (5) £150-200



245

Abbasid, temp. al-Mansur (136-158h), dirham, Ifriqiya 145h, *rev.*, with *ta-mim* below, 2.70g (Lowick 273), *about very fine, rare* £200-300



246

Abbasid, temp. al-Mansur (136-158h), dirham, Istakhr 140h, 2.82g (Lowick 2053), *staining on obverse, otherwise good very fine and rare* £150-200



247

Abbasid, temp. al-Mansur (136-158h), dirham, Junday Sabur 138h, 2.89g (Lowick 2016), *good very fine and scarce* £100-150



248

Abbasid, temp. al-Mansur (136-158h), dirham, Junday Sabur 140h, 2.75g (Lowick 2017), *good fine, rare* £100-150



249

Abbasid, temp. al-Mansur (136-158h), dirham, al-'Abbasiya 149h, rev., citing *Ghulab*, 2.75g (Lowick 4), *very fine, rare* £150-200



250

Abbasid, temp. al-Mansur (136-158h), dirham, Madinat al-Salam 146h, 2.74g (Lowick 1161), *traces of chloride deposit and some graffiti, almost very fine and toned, the first year of issue from the mint of Baghdad* £150-200



251

Abbasid, temp. al-Mansur (136-158h), dirham, al-Hashimiya 139h, 3.10g (SCC 848; Lowick 1080 var.), *very fine to good very fine, scarce* £200-250

252

Abbasid dirhams struck in Madinat al-Salam (75), dated 149h (3), 150h, 152h (3), 154h (3), 155h (3), 156h (4), 157h (6), 158h (4), 160h (5), 161h (5), 162h, 163h (2), 164h (3), 165h, 179h (2), 180h (3), 181h (6), 182h, 185h, 186h, 187h (3), 188h (2), 189h (3), 190h, 196h, 199h (*pierced*), 205h (2), 224h, 230h, 235h, *fine to very fine, the later dates scarce* (75) £600-800



253

Abbasid, temp. al-Mansur (136-158h), heavy fals, Qinnasrin 157h, citing Musa and Ahmad, 6.34g (Shamma p.111, 4), *almost very fine* £80-120



254

Abbasid, fals, Jund Qinnasrin, undated (possibly 160s?), 3.15g, *obv.*, in margin: *bismillah duriba [...]* Musa b. 'Abdallah bi-Jund Qinnasrin, *rev.*, in margin: *bismillah mimma amr bihi al-amir [...]*; in field: *ala yaday / Musa b. 'Abdallah*, 3.16g, *almost very fine and of the highest rarity* £600-800

The term 'Jund' denotes an administrative district, and so 'Jund Qinnasrin' presumably refers to the ardistric with Qinnasrin as its principal town. This unpublished coin appears to be the only known occurrence of the mint-name 'Jund Qinnasrin' in the coinage record.



255

Abbasid, temp. al-Mansur (136-158h), fals, Shiraz 137h, *obv.*, with Sasanian-style bust to right, *rev.*, of standard Abbasid type with mint and date in margin, 2.23g (Album B335 RRR; Shamma p.261, 1), *about very fine, obverse patinated with olive-green deposit, reverse largely untuned, very rare* £300-400



256

Abbasid, temp. al-Mahdi, dinar, 163h, 4.26g (Lowick 290), *small scrape on edge, about extremely fine* £200-250

257

Abbasid, temp. al-Mahdi (158-169h), dinar, 165h, *in old iron claw-mount, very fine*; together with Ottoman sultanis (2), Misr 926h and Misr 982h, *very fine* (3) £300-400

258

Abbasid, temp. al-Mahdi (158-169h), dinar, 165h, *edge nick, very fine*; **Fatimid, al-Hakim**, dinar, Misr 388h; **Sulayhid**, a crude imitation of a dinar of 'Ali b. Muhammad (Album 1057.3); **Ottoman, Mahmud II**, cedit Mahmudiye, 1223/28, *pierced* (4) £300-400



259

Abbasid, al-Mahdi (158-169h), dirham, Adharbayjan 166h, *rev.*, citing Nusayr, 2.65g (Lowick 955), *very fine, obverse better, scarce* £150-200



260
Abbasid, al-Mahdi (158-169h), dirham, Arran 167h, 2.91g (Vardanyan 124; Lowick 765), *very fine* £150-200

261
Abbasid, al-Mahdi, dirhams (2) Sijistan 166h and Qasr al-Salam 167h, 2.75, 2.94g; **al-Amin**, dirham, Madinat Marw 194h, 3.00g, *fine to very fine* (3) £150-200



262
Abbasid, al-Mahdi (158-169h), dirham, al-Yamama 165h, *rev.*, citing *Hajjar*, 2.95g (Lowick 571), *very fine* £300-400



263
Abbasid, al-Mahdi (158-169h), dirham, al-Yamama 166h, *obv.*, six plain annulets, *rev.*, plain above, citing *Hajjar* below, 2.94g (Lowick 573), *very fine, rare* £300-400



264
Abbasid, al-Mahdi (158-169h), dirham, al-Yamama 167h, *rev.*, citing *Hajjar*, 2.89g (Lowick 578), *very fine* £300-400



265
Abbasid, al-Mahdi (158-169h), dirham, al-Yamama 168h, *rev.*, citing 'Abdallah b. Sa'id, 2.94g (Lowick 581), *reverse slightly weak, otherwise good very fine* £300-400

266
Abbasid, temp. al-Mahdi (158-169h), dirhams (60), mints include Qasr al-Salam (1, dated 167h), Ifriqiya, Madinat Jayy, al-'Abbasiya, Kirman, al-Muhammadiya and Madinat al-Salam, *one pierced, fine to very fine, the Qasr al-Salam piece scarce* (60) £600-800



267
Abbasid, al-Mahdi (158-169h), fals, Istakhr 167h, 2.14g (Shamma p.269, 9ff), *pinmarks on reverse, about very fine* £70-100



268
Abbasid, temp. al-Mahdi (158-169h), fals, Barda'a 159h, citing the governor *Yazid b. Usayd*, 4.00g (Vardanyan 248; Shamma p.230, 6), *very fine, rare* £120-150



269
Abbasid, temp. al-Hadi (169-170h), dinar, 169h, *rev.*, letter *dal* above (possibly for the governor *Da'ud*?), 4.18g (Bernardi 57 RR), *minor marks, about very fine and rare* £200-250

270
Abbasid, al-Hadi (169-170h), dirham, Ifriqiya 170h, 2.94g (SCC 968); **al-Rashid**, dirham, Madinat al-Salam 170h, 2.94g (Album 219.6a); **al-Mu'tasim**, dirham, Madinat al-Salam 223h, 2.96g (Album 226), *very fine* (3) £150-200



271
Abbasid, al-Hadi (169-170h), dirham, al-Haruniya 169h, citing the caliph, heir *Harun*, and governor *Khuzayma b. Khazim*, 2.76g (Vardanyan 190; Lowick 870), *cleaned, very fine* £100-150



272

Abbasid, al-Rashid (170-193h), dinar, without mint-name (Baghdad), 171h, *rev.*, in field: *Muhammad rasul Allah | mimma amr bihi 'Abdallah | Harun amir al-mu'minin*, 3.95g (Lowick 366; Bernardi 58b), *pin-marks on reverse, lightly clipped, good fine and very rare* £1,000-1,500



273

Abbasid, temp. al-Rashid (170-193h), dinar, 185h, *rev.*, double margin citing *al-Amin*, 4.11g (Bernardi 75; Album 218.3), *edge smoothed, otherwise good very fine* £200-250



274

Abbasid, temp. al-Rashid (170-193h), dinar, 186h, *rev.*, citing *Ja'far*, 4.25g (Bernardi 69), *good very fine* £200-250



275

Abbasid, temp. al-Rashid (170-193h), dinar, 188h, *rev.*, plain, 4.04g (Bernardi 51), *edge evenly shaved, otherwise very fine to good very fine* £200-250



276

Abbasid, temp. al-Rashid (170-193h), dinar, 188h, *rev.*, letter *ha* below, 4.17g (Bernardi 71), *surfaces somewhat porous, very fine or better* £180-220



277

Abbasid, temp. al-Rashid (170-193h), dinar, 192h, *rev.*, *li'l-khalifa*, 4.24g (Bernardi 73), *slightly bent, minor marks on edge, otherwise extremely fine* £200-250



278

Abbasid, temp. al-Rashid (170-193h), dinar, 193h, *rev.*, letter *ha* below, 4.15g (Bernardi 71), *very fine* £180-220



279

Abbasid, al-Rashid (170-193h), dirham, Arran 189h, *rev.*, citing *Bishr b. Khuzayma*, 2.86g (Vardanyan 138), *almost extremely fine, scarce* £150-200



280

Abbasid, al-Rashid (170-193h), dirham, Arran 190h, *rev.*, citing *Khuzayma b. Khazim*, letter *'ayn* below, 3.01g (Vardanyan 142), *almost extremely fine and scarce* £150-200



281

Abbasid, al-Rashid (170-193h), dirham, Arran 191h, *rev.*, citing *Khuzayma*, letter *'ayn* below, 2.69g (cf Vardanyan 143 [dated 190h]), *cleaned but better than very fine and apparently an unpublished variety* £180-220



282

Abbasid, temp. al-Rashid (170-193h), dirham, Arminiya 186h, citing *Muhammad b. Yazid*, 2.96g (Vardanyan 58), *small scrapes in reverse field, otherwise good very fine, scarce* £150-200

283

Abbasid, al-Rashid (170-193h), dirhams (2), al-'Abbasiya 170h, 171h, 2.76, 2.60g (Lowick 188, 201), *about very fine* (2) £80-120



- 284
Abbasid, al-Rashid (170-193h), dirham, al-Muhammadiya 189h, *obv.*, citing *Ja'far* above and *'Abdallah* below field, *rev.*, citing *Umm Ja'far*, 2.76g (Lowick 1882; Miles 90D), *cleaned, very good to fine with clear legends, a very rare type*
 £250-300



- 285
Abbasid, al-Rashid (170-193h), dirham, Ma'dan Bajunays 190h, 2.69g (Lowick 899; Vardanyan 201), *very fine*
 £200-250



- 286
Abbasid, al-Rashid (170-193h), dirham, Ma'dan Bajunays 191h, in the name of the heir al-Amin, citing *Umm Ja'far* and *Da'ud*, 2.80g (Lowick 901; Vardanyan 203), *cleaned, very fine*
 £200-250

- 287
Abbasid, temp. al-Rashid (170-193h), dirhams (90), mints include Madinat Balkh, al-'Abbasiya, Ma'dan al-Shash, Madinat al-Salam, al-Muhammadiya, *mainly fine to very fine and including a reasonable spread of dates*
 £700-1,000

- 288
Abbasid, temp. al-Rashid (170-193h) and al-Amin (193-198h), dirhams struck in Madinat Zaranj (17), dated 179h, 180h (4), 181h (3), 182h, 183h, 187h (2), 188h?, 190h, 194h (2), and date unclear (1), *fine to very fine, some scarce*
 £200-300



- 289
Abbasid, al-Rashid (170-193h), fals, Samarqand 172, *rev.*, in margin: *mimma amr bihi al-amir Ja'far b. Muhammad 'ala yaday Mas'ada b. Zuhayr (?)*, 2.23g (Shamma p.334, 4), *cleaned, edge chip, very fine and rare*
 £80-120



- 290
Abbasid, al-Amin (193-198h), dinar, 197h, *rev.*, *rabbi Allah | al-Amin*, 4.12g (Bernardi 80 RR), *wavy flan and some pinmarks in fields, otherwise very fine and rare*
 £250-300



- 291
Abbasid, al-Amin (193-198h), dirham, Ma'dan Bajunays 194h, citing *Da'ud* and *Sard*, 3.02g (Lowick 917; Vardanyan 209), *almost very fine*
 £200-250

- 292
Abbasid, temp. al-Amin (193-198h), dirhams (2), Madinat Naysabur 193h, citing *'Uthman*, and 194h, citing *Jibril*, 2.95, 2.89g (Lowick 2304, 2319), *first almost extremely fine, second good very fine (2)*
 £150-200



- 293
Abbasid, temp. al-Amin (193-198h), dirham, al-Muhammadiya 196h, *obv.*, in margin, between annulets: *Dhu'l-Yaminayn - Tahir - ibn al-Husayn - mawla al-mu'minin*, 2.87g (Lowick 1933), *very fine, rare*
 £100-150



- 294
Abbasid, Revolt of Abu'l-Saraya al-Shaybani (199h), dirham, al-Kufa 199h, *rev.*, citing *al-Asfar Fatimi*, 2.91g (Miles RIC 253; Lowick 1138), *slightly buckled flan, otherwise very fine and rare*
 £300-400



- 295
Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dinar, 198h, 4.02g (Bernardi 51), *edge evenly shaved, otherwise good very fine*
 £250-300



‡296

Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dinar, Misr 201h, *obv.*, citing *Sulayman*, *rev.*, *lillah al-Fadl* above, *Dhu'l-Riyasatayn* below, 4.15g (Bernardi 90bDe), *fine and scarce, a one-year type* £150-200



301

Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dinar, 203h, with mint/date formula beginning *bismillah al-rahman al-rahim...*, *obv.*, *al-'Iraq*, *rev.*, citing *Dhu'l-Riyasatayn*, 3.95g (Bernardi 103), *lightly clipped, very fine to good very fine* £200-250



‡297

Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dinar, 202h, *obv.*, *al-Maghrib* below, *rev.*, *lillah al-Fadl* above, *Dhu'l-Riyasatayn* below, *al-Sari* at the end of mint/date formula, 4.13g (Bernardi 93), *fine and rare, an unusual type with the governor's name in margin* £300-400



302

Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dinar, Reform type, 207h, without mint-name, 4.22g (Bernardi 116), *about extremely fine* £350-400



298

Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dinar, 203h, *obv.*, plain, *rev.*, citing *Dhu'l-Riyasatayn*, 4.20g (Bernardi 100), *very fine to good very fine* £180-220



‡303

Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dinar, Reform type, 208h, without mint-name, 4.25g (Bernardi 116), *spade-mark on obverse rim at 7 o'clock, otherwise good very fine* £250-300



299

Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dinar, 200h, with mint/date formula beginning *bismillah al-rahman al-rahim...*, *obv.*, citing *al-Hasan* and with letter 'ayn below, *rev.*, citing *Dhu'l-Riyasatayn*, 4.20g (Bernardi 102), *slightly ragged edge, very fine or better* £200-250



304

Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 215h, 4.07g (Bernardi 116Jh R), *edge clip, fine* £200-250



300

Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dinar, 199h, with mint/date formula beginning *bismillah al-rahman al-rahim...*, *obv.*, *al-'Iraq*, *rev.*, citing *Dhu'l-Riyasatayn*, letter *ra* below, 4.26g (Bernardi 104), *almost extremely fine* £250-300



‡305

Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dinar, Misr 215h, *rev.*, without name of caliph, 4.14g (Bernardi 116De), *almost very fine and scarce* £250-300



306

Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dirham, Madinat Arran 216h, *rev.*, citing *Khalid b. Yazid* and *Ibrahim b. 'Attab*, 2.99g (Vardanyan 174; Lowick 856), *light deposit, slightly wavy flan, very fine and rare* £200-300



307
Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dirham, Dimashq 213h, 2.98g (Lowick 624), *almost very fine and scarce*
 £150-200



308
Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dirham, Madinat Zaranj 196, citing *al-Fath* and *al-Fadl*, 2.83g (Lowick 2480), *good fine and rare*
 £100-150



309
Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dirham, Madinat Zaranj 199h, *rev.*, citing *Muhammad b. al-Ash'ath*, 2.93g (Lowick 2483), *very fine and rare*
 £150-200

Ex Wilkes & Curtis auction 7, 14 September 2015, lot 98.



310
Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dirham, Madinat Zaranj 202h, citing *Kulthum* and *Dhu'l-Riyasatayn*, 2.90g (Lowick 2487), *fine, very rare*
 £100-150



311
Abbasid, al-Ma'mun (194-218), dirham, al-Rafiq 208h, reform type, 2.94g (SCC 1199), *almost very fine, very rare*
 £300-400



312
Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), fractional dirham, San'a 207h, citing *Nu'aym b. al-Wadah*, 0.82g (Lowick 567), *wavy flan, about very fine and extremely rare*
 £300-400

Bikhazi (p.29) reports that *Nu'aym b. Wadah al-Azdi* was governor of San'a from 206-208h.



Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218), dirham, Fars 207h, 2.94g (SCC -; Lowick 2044, citing a single specimen), *good very fine and rare*
 £150-200



314
Abbasid, al-Ma'mun (194-218h), dirham, al-Kufa 205h, double obverse margin, *rev.*, plain below (Lowick 1153 *var.*), *lightly creased, better than very fine and rare*
 £80-120



315
Abbasid, al-Ma'mun (194-218), dirham, Marw 213h, Reform type with double obverse margin, 3.02g (Lowick 2291; SCC 1213), *very fine to good very fine*
 £100-150



316
Abbasid, al-Ma'mun (194-218), dirham, al-Muhammadiya 195h, *obv.*, citing *Tahir b. al-Husayn* in outer margin, 2.92g (SCC 1119), *creased, otherwise very fine and rare*
 £100-150



317
Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218), dirham, al-Muhammadiya 200h, rev., citing *Dhu'l-Riyasatayn*, 2.96g (SCC 1150), *good very fine, rare* £120-150



318
Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218), dirham, Misr 217h, Reform type with double obverse margin, 2.96g (Lowick 526; SCC 1222), *about very fine* £150-200

319
Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), fals, Shiraz 214h (Shamma p.260, 4); **temp. al-Rashid**, fals, Jurjan 190h (Lowick 774 var.); **Revolutionary Period, Abu Muslim**, fals, no mint, 131h (Album 208), *fine, the first rare* (3) £150-200

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320
Abbasid, temp. al-Ma'mun (194-218h), fals, Fars 205h, citing Mansur, 1.58g (Miles, *Persepolis* 553), *fine* £50-80



321
Abbasid, al-Mu'tasim (218-227h), dirham, Dimashq 222h, 2.80g (SCC -; SICA 4, -; Artuk 318), *very fine or better and rare* £150-200



322
Abbasid, al-Mu'tasim (218-227h), dirham, Dimashq 223h, 2.87g (SCC -; SICA 4; - Ties. 1853), *very fine and rare* £150-200



323
Abbasid, al-Mu'tasim (218-227h), dirham, Misr 220h, 2.99g (SCC 1236), *good very fine and rare* £150-200



324
Abbasid, al-Mu'tasim (218-227h), lead token, value 'twenty-four', *obv.*, in field: *arbat* | '*ashrin*'; in margin: *...Janat ith-nayn wa 'ashrin* [...], *rev.*, in field: *Ahmad* | *ibn 'Isa*; in margin: *...Jal-Mu'tasim billah amir al-mu'minin*, 7.20g, *good very fine and rare* £180-220



325
Abbasid, al-Wathiq (227-232h), dinar, San'a 230h, *obv.*, citing *Itakh* (governor in the Yemen), 3.24g (Bernardi 153El), *evenly clipped, otherwise very fine or better and rare* £400-600



326
Abbasid, al-Wathiq (227-232h), dinar, San'a 232h, *obv.*, citing *Ja'far* (governor in the Yemen) and with uncertain word after century of date, 2.03g (Bernardi 154El, *this piece cited*; SICA 10, 230), *clipped and with graffiti in reverse field, very fine and rare* £250-300

Ex Morton & Eden auction 17, 13-14 December 2005, lot 740.



327
Abbasid, al-Mutawakkil (232-247h), dinar, al-Basra 245h, 3.89g (Bernardi 158Je), *clipped, obverse weakly struck, very fine and scarce* £200-250



- 328
Abbasid, al-Mutawakkil (232-247h), dinar, al-Muhammadiya 234h, 4.21g (Bernardi 155Mh), *minor weakness, almost very fine and rare*
 £300-400



- 334
Abbasid, al-Muntasir (247-248h), dirham, Surra man ra'a 248h, 2.98g (SCC 1288), *fine to good fine with some staining, rare*
 £180-220



- 329
Abbasid, al-Mutawakkil (232-247h), dinar, Misr 246h, 4.22g (Bernardi 158De), *minor weakness, good very fine*
 £200-250



- 335
Abbasid, al-Musta'in (248-251h), dinar, Samargand 248h, without name of heir, 4.24g (Bernardi 160Qe RR), *good fine and rare*
 £250-300



- 330
Abbasid, al-Mutawakkil (232-247h), donative dirham, Surra man ra'a 236h, struck on a small thick flan, citing the heir Abu 'Abdallah, 2.93g (Album 230A; Wilkes 406), *lightly cleaned, very fine and rare*
 £200-250



- 336
Abbasid, al-Musta'in (248-251h), dinar, al-Shash 248h, without name of heir, 4.17g (Bernardi 160Qf RR), *fair to fine*
 £140-160



- 331
Abbasid, al-Mutawakkil (232-247h), dirhams (2), Surra man ra'a 233h, 242h, 2.96, 2.81g (SICA 4, 434, -), *very fine and better, second with minor staining at edge, both scarce*
 £150-200



- 337
Abbasid, al-Musta'in (248-251h), dinar, al-Muhammadiya 248h, 4.11g (Bernardi 160Mh RRR), *ragged edge and fields burnished, otherwise almost very fine and very rare*
 £600-800



- 332
Abbasid, al-Mutawakkil (232-247h), dirham, al-Muhammadiya 243h, 3.55g (Miles 128), *good fine*
 £80-120



- 338
Abbasid, al-Musta'in (248-251h), dinar, Marw 249h, *obv., citing al-'Abbas bin | Amir al-Mu'minin*, 4.25g (Bernardi 161Ph RR), *some deposit, fine to good fine and rare*
 £200-300



- 333
Abbasid, al-Mutawakkil (232-247h), dirham, Madinat al-Salam 238h, 3.01g (SICA 4, 903), *light crease, almost very fine and rare*
 £120-150



- 339
Abbasid, al-Mu'tazz (251-255h), dinar, al-Basra 252h, 4.24g (Bernardi 162Je), *fair to fine, rare*
 £200-300



340
Abbasid, al-Mu'tazz (251-255h), dinar, Samarqand 253h, 4.17g (Bernardi 162Qe), *very fine or better* £200-250



345
Abbasid, al-Mu'tamid (256-279h), dinar, Surra man ra'a 257h, citing *Ja'far*, 4.53g (Bernardi 173Jc), *unit of date a little weak, on a buckled flan, good fine and very rare* £350-450



341
Abbasid, al-Muhtadi (255-256h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 256h, 4.14g (Bernardi 165Nd), *good fine and very rare* £1,200-1,500



346
Abbasid, al-Mu'tamid (256-279h), dinar, Surra man ra'a 261h, *rev.*, plain below, 4.05g (Bernardi 173Jc RR), *some weak striking, good fine and scarce* £200-300



342
Abbasid, Interregnum (255h), dinar, Misr 255h, struck from dies prepared for coins of al-Mu'tazz but with the name of the heir effaced from the obverse and that of the caliph from the reverse, 4.29g (Bernardi 164De), *good fine and very rare* £500-700



347
Abbasid, al-Mu'tamid (256-279h), dinar, San'a 267h, *obv.*, citing *al-Muwaffaq billah*, 2.87g (Bernardi 177El), *very fine to good very fine and scarce* £280-320



343
Abbasid, al-Mu'tamid (256-279h), dinar, al-Ahwaz 270h, *rev.*, citing *Dhu'l-Wizaratayn*, 3.76g (Bernardi 178Nd), *has been made round for ring-mounting, otherwise very fine* £200-250



348
Abbasid, al-Mu'tamid (256-279h), dinar, San'a 271h, *obv.*, citing *al-Muwaffaq billah*, *rev.*, *lillah | Muhammad | rasul Allah | al-Mu'tamid 'ala Allah | Dhu'l-Wizaratayn*, 2.94g (cf Bernardi 178El, different arrangement of legends in reverse field), *about extremely fine* £280-320



344
Abbasid, al-Mu'tamid (256-279h), dinar, al-Rafiqa 274h, *obv.*, citing *al-Mufawwad*, swastika below, *rev.*, citing *Ahmad b. al-Muwaffaq | billah*, with letter *ra* to left, 4.33g (Bernardi 181Hn), *some staining, otherwise very fine and scarce* £300-400



349
Abbasid, al-Mu'tamid (256-279h), dinar, San'a 271h, *obv.*, citing *al-Muwaffaq billah*, *rev.*, *lillah | Muhammad | rasul Allah | al-Mu'tamid 'ala Allah | Dhu'l-Wizaratayn*, 2.93g (cf Bernardi 178El, different arrangement of legends in reverse field), *unit of date crudely engraved, very fine to good very fine* £200-250



350
Abbasid, al-Mu'tamid (256-279h), dinar, San'a 275h, *obv.*, citing *al-Muwaffaq billah*, *rev.*, citing *Ahmad b. al-Muwaffaq billah*, 2.93g (Bernardi 185El), *almost extremely fine* £250-300

Although Bernardi was unable to interpret the final line of the reverse field, it is clear on this specimen.



- 351
Abbasid, al-Mu'tamid (256-279h), dinar, San'a 276h, *obv.*, citing *al-Muwaffaq billah*, *rev.*, citing *Ahmad b. al-Muwaffaq billah*, 2.94g (Bernardi 185El), *almost extremely fine*
 £250-300



- 352
Abbasid, al-Mu'tamid (256-279h), dinar, San'a 278h, *obv.*, citing *al-Muwaffaq billah*, *rev.*, citing *Ahmad b. al-Muwaffaq billah*, 2.94g (Bernardi 185El), *almost extremely fine*
 £250-300



- 353
Abbasid, al-Mu'tamid (256-279h), dinar, San'a 279h, *obv.*, citing the heir *al-Mu'tadid billah*, *rev.*, citing the caliph *al-Mu'tamid 'ala Allah*, 2.88g (Bernardi 187El), *edge shaved and small scratch in reverse field, very fine to good very fine and scarce*
 £250-300



- 354
Abbasid, al-Mu'tamid (256-279h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 265h, 3.85g (Bernardi 177Jh, citing three examples of this date), *good fine and rare*
 £400-600



- 355
Abbasid, al-Mu'tamid (256-279h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 269h, *obv.*, with letter *sad* below field, 4.19g (Bernardi 177Jh, date not listed), *with curved cancellation punch in obverse margin, fine and of the highest rarity, apparently an unpublished date for the mint*
 £600-800



- 356
Abbasid, al-Mu'tamid (256-279h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 275h, *obv.*, citing *al-nasir li-din Allah | al-Muwaffaq billah*, *rev.*, citing the caliph and *Ahmad b. al-Muwaffaq billah*, 3.96g (Bernardi 184Jh, this piece cited), *good very fine and rare*
 £700-1,000

Ex Peus auction 380, 3 November 2004, lot 1060



- 357
Abbasid, al-Mu'tadid (279-289h), dinar, Harran 287h, 2.83g (Bernardi 211Hj, date not listed), *clipped with approximately 30% of flan cut away (not affecting mint, date, or fields), otherwise very fine or better and of the highest rarity, apparently unpublished*
 £250-350



- 358
Abbasid, al-Mu'tadid (279-289h), dinar, San'a 280h, 2.87g (Bernardi 211El), *very faint edge marks, good very fine*
 £200-250



- 359
Abbasid, al-Mu'tadid (279-289h), dinar, San'a 283h, 2.93g (Bernardi 211El), *good very fine*
 £200-250



- 360
Abbasid, al-Mu'tadid (279-289h), dinar, al-Muhammadiya 283h, 4.56g (Bernardi 211Mh RRR; Miles, *Rayy* -), *some weak areas, fine overall and very rare*
 £700-1,000



361

Abbasid, al-Mu'tadid (279-289h), dirham, al-Rafiq 287h, 3.18g (cf SICA 4, 380 [288h]), *traces of loop-mount on obverse, good fine and rare* £80-120



362

Abbasid, al-Mu'tadid (279-289h), sudaysi, San'a 274h, 0.58g (Bikhazi -; SICA 10, -; Diler -; Album 1055A), *obverse double struck, fine and very rare* £250-300



363

Abbasid, al-Mu'tadid (279-289h), dirham, Hamadhan 285h, 2.94g (cf SICA 4, 1642 [286h]), *fine, rare* £100-150



364

Abbasid, al-Mu'tadid (279-289h), donative half-dirham, 1.59g, *with heavy deposit of horn silver making legends unclear, fair to fine and rare* £200-250



365

Abbasid, al-Muktafi (289-295h), dinar, al-Basra [29]1h, rev., citing *Wali al-dawla*, 3.43g (Bernardi 228Je RRR), *edge clip, otherwise very fine and very rare* £350-450



366

Abbasid, al-Muktafi (289-295h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 290h, 4.02g (Bernardi 226Jh), *somewhat crude, almost very fine* £300-400



367

Abbasid, al-Muktafi (289-295h), dinar, Misr 292h, 3.97g (Bernardi 226De), *extremely fine* £300-400

368

Abbasid, al-Muktafi (289-295h), dirhams (2), Mah al-Kufa 294h and Ra's al-'Ayn 293h, 3.38, 4.33g (cf SICA 4, 809 [dinar], 341), *about very fine, the first rare (2)* £120-150



369

Abbasid, al-Muktafi (289-295h), dirham, Misr 292h, 2.65g (SCC 1443), *some staining, good fine* £120-150



370

Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), dinar, Ardabil 31[8]h, obv., legends in four lines, with letter *ha* above and two elongated pellets below, 4.98g (Bernardi 242Ka; Miles, *RIC* 190, same dies), *repaired, unit of date unclear, fine and very rare* £300-400



371

Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), dinar, al-Karaj 308h, 3.21g (Bernardi 242Jf RR), *margins weakly struck but very fine for issue and rare* £250-300



372

Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), dinar, al-Karaj 315h, 4.04g (Bernardi 242Jf RR), *some weak striking, almost very fine* £300-400

Ex Morton and Eden auction 37, 9 June 2009, lot 583



- 373
Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), dinar, al-Karaj 318h, 3.36g (Bernardi 242Jf RR), *about very fine* £150-200



- 374
Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), dinar, Mah al-Kufa 318h, 3.08g (Bernardi 242Mr), *fine* £150-200



- 375
Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 300h, citing the heir Abu'l-Abbas, 4.23g (Bernardi 242Jh), *very fine, the date rare* £400-600



- ‡376
Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 306h, *obv.*, large pellet above field, 4.05g (Bernardi 242Jh), *extremely fine* £200-250



- ‡377
Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 308h, 3.79g (Bernardi 242Jh), *extremely fine* £200-250



- 378
Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), dinar, Misr 302h, citing the heir Abu'l-Abbas, 4.05g (Bernardi 242De), *extremely fine* £200-250

- 379
Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), dirhams (2), Antakiya 320h, *rev.*, citing 'Amid al-dawla, and Tarsus 307h, 3.41, 3.40g (SICA 4, 94-95, 674 var. [308h]), *fine and almost very fine, both rare* (2) £200-300

First ex ICA 16, lot 327.

- 380
Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), dirhams (5): al-Ahwaz 298h, Shiraz 311h, al-Kufa 301h, al-Mawasil 297h, and Nisibin 296h, *fine to very fine, mainly scarce*; together with a Fatimid dirham of al-Mu'izz, mint and date off flan, *fine* (6) £150-200

- 381
Abbasid, al-Muqtadir, dirhams (4), Harran 312h, Dimashq 304h, al-Rahba 318h, Mah al-Kufa 317h (Album 246.2); **al-Qahir**, dirham, Ra's al-'Ayn 320h (Album 251.1), *mixed grades, mostly scarce or rare* (5) £250-300



- ‡382
Abbasid, al-Muqtadir, sudaysi, al-Qaysiya b. Zabid, undated, 0.39g, *very fine and very rare, apparently unpublished* £500-700



- 383
Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), dirham, Hulwan 307h, 2.74g (SCC 1572), *some weak striking and patches of staining on reverse, almost very fine and rare* £120-150



- 384
Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), dirhams (2), Mah al-Basra 29xh (possibly 299h) and al-Masisa 308h, 2.58, 2.61g, *fine to good fine, both rare* (2) £180-220



- 385
Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), dirham, Mah al-Basra 303h, 2.37g (cf Emirates Coin Auction 2, March 2000, lot 333), *cleaned, very fine and rare* £120-150



386

Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), donative dirham with broad margins, Madinat al-Salam 301h, 2.68g (Ilisch -; cf SCC 1521 [302h]), *minor deposit, almost extremely fine and rare*
£500-700



387

Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), donative half-dirham with broad margins, Madinat al-Salam 311h, 1.64g (Ilisch -), *minor edge crimp causing small flan split at edge, some horn silver and pin-marks in reverse field, otherwise better than very fine and very rare*
£400-600



388

Abbasid, al-Muqtadir (295-320h), dirham, Madinat al-Salam 319h, *rev.*, citing *Amid al-dawla*, 3.90g (Album 249 '320 only'), *obverse weak and with hoard-staining, thus fair to fine; reverse with some encrustation at margin but generally very fine, extremely rare*
£400-500

The vizier 'Amid al-dawla was routinely cited on al-Muqtadir's coinage in the year 320h, but coins of the year 319h bearing his name are exceedingly rare. Album's *Checklist* records the type for 320h only.



389

Abbasid, al-Qahir (320-322h), dinar, Mah al-Basra 321h, citing Abu'l-Qasim as heir, 2.64g (Bernardi 277Mq), *good fine*
£140-160



390

Abbasid, al-Radi (322-329h), dinar, Ardabil 327h, 4.13g (Bernardi 285Ka), *creased, good fine and rare*
£500-700

Ex Islamic Coin Auction 14, 8 July 2008, lot 153



391

Abbasid, al-Radi (322-329h), dinar, Qumm 327h, *obv.*, with field arranged in four lines with letter *jim* below, *rev.*, letter *sad* below, 3.52g (Bernardi 285Mn), *centres weak, good fine*
£250-300

Ex Peus auction 388, 1 November 2006, lot 1329.



392

Abbasid, al-Radi (322-329h), dinar, Mah al-Basra 324h, *obv.*, unread letters above and below field, 3.13g (Bernardi 285Mq, *this piece*), *an uneven striking, good fine and extremely rare*
£400-600

Ex ICA 10, 20 July 2005, lot 136



393

Abbasid, al-Radi (322-329h), dinar, Mah al-Basra 326h, *obv.*, pellet and crescent above, *rev.*, pellet below, 2.68g (Bernardi 285Mq RRR), *very fine and rare*
£300-400

Ex Morton & Eden auction 20, 27 June 2006, lot 70.



394

Abbasid, al-Radi (322-329h), dinar, Mah al-Kufa 324h, *obv.*, letter *waw* below, *rev.*, letter *nun* below, 3.64g (Bernardi 285Mr, *this piece cited*), *wavy flan and some weak striking, good fine*
£150-200

Ex Peus auction 392, 4 May 2007, lot 4745.



395

Abbasid, al-Radi (322-329h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 322h, 4.41g (Bernardi 285Jh), *some deposit and minor marks, otherwise almost extremely fine*
£300-400



396
Abbasid, al-Radi (322-329h), dinar, Misr 323h, 4.17g (Bernardi 285De), *edge damage, otherwise extremely fine*
£180-220



397
Abbasid, al-Radi (322-329h), dirham, Antakiya 328h, *rev.*, citing the heir *Abu'l-Fadl*, 2.34g (SICA 4, 97-98), *good fine and rare*
£100-150



398
Abbasid, al-Radi (322-329h), dirham, al-Rafiqa 323h, 3.84g (Ties. 2393); SCC -; cf SICA 4, 406 [323h]), *some weak striking, very fine for issue and scarce*
£100-150



‡399
Abbasid, al-Radi (322-329h), heavy (double?) dirham, Ra's al-'Ayn 323h, 5.88g (SCC -; SICA 4, 356 [of standard weight]), *fine and rare, especially of this weight*
£250-300



400
Abbasid, al-Muttaqi (329-333h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 330h, *obv.*, citing *Abu Mansur bin Amir al-Mu'minin*, 3.28g (Bernardi 308Jh), *good fine, rare*
£600-800

401
Abbasid, al-Mustakfi (333-334h), dirhams (2), Antakiya 333h, *obv.*, citing *al-Muzaffar | Abu'l-Wafa*, and Madinat al-Salam 334h, citing heir *Abu'l-Hasan Muhammad*, 2.61, 3.33g (Album 264, 263), *first fine and rare, second very fine and scarce* (2)
£200-300



402
Abbasid, al-Muti' (334-363h), dirham, Madinat Antakiya 354h, of purely Abbasid type without additional governor's name, *rev.*, letter *dal* below, 2.24g (cf Morton and Eden auction 75, 2 July 2015, lot 512, *same reverse die*), *uneven toning, good fine and very rare*
£350-450



403
Abbasid, al-Mustazhir (487-512h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 496h, 1.58g (Jafar A.MS.496A; Album B266 RRR; Wilkes 464), *a typically coarse striking on a thin and buckled flan, very fine for issue and very rare*
£700-1,000



404
Abbasid, al-Nasir (575-622h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 598h, 3.66g (cf ICA 22, lot 3298), *weakly struck but better than very fine and rare*
£350-450



405
Abbasid, al-Nasir (575-622h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 599h, 2.24g (BMC I, 483), *on a thin flan, some staining, fine and scarce*
£250-300

406
Abbasid, al-Nasir (575-622h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 604h, 4.67g (Kazan 204), *creased and with flan crack, some marginal weakness, otherwise good fine and scarce*; **al-Musta'sim (640-656h)**, dinar, Madinat al-Salam 65x, 2.24g, *creased, fair to fine* (2)
£280-320



407
Abbasid, al-Nasir (575-622h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 613h, 8.76g (BMC IX, 488b), *small kink in edge, very fine to good very fine* £400-500



408
Abbasid, al-Nasir (575-622h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 617h, 5.76g (Kazan 207), *minor staining, very fine or better* £200-300



409
Abbasid, al-Zahir (622-623h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 622h, 2.54g (BMC IX, 495w; Kazan 209), *good fine and rare* £500-700



410
Abbasid, al-Musta'sim (640-656h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 640h, 6.95g (BMC I, 503), *almost extremely fine* £400-600



411
Abbasid, al-Musta'sim (640-656h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 641h, 7.07g (BMC I, 504), *slightly buckled flan and with minor marks, otherwise almost extremely fine* £400-600



412
Umayyad/Abbasid, an oval black haematite seal, 18.2 x 15.9mm, *la ilaha illa [Allah] | Muhammad rasul Allah | two flowers either side of a six-pointed star*, 2.59g (cf Porter, V., *Arabic and Persian Seals and Amulets in the British Museum*, 200), *portion at upper right chipped away, otherwise good very fine* £300-500



413
A clear glass pendant, of tear-drop shape, the flat side impressed *Muhammad | rasul | Allah* in Kufic, with the remains of a glass loop for threading for wear, probably Abbasid period, *the tip of the glass loop broken off, otherwise very fine* £200-300



414
A glass roundel, now with silvery highlights over darker iridescent surfaces, naming 'Ali, 29.5 x 24.5mm, 3.33g, *very fine* £300-500



415
An oval glass seal, with three-line inscription in angular Kufic, possibly to be read as 'amil | Luqman (?) | bin Yazid, 29 x 27.5mm, 6.47g, *edge chipped (not affecting the inscription), now with grey surfaces, very fine* £300-500



416

A blue uniface glass roundel, depicting a kneeling female figure, one hand on her thigh and the other extended, within border of dots, 29mm, 6.22g, *very fine* £300-500



417

Clay bulla: A clay sealing with personal names on both sides, possibly Abbasid period, the obverse stamped *Harun* with *ibn 'Ali* in miniscule lettering above and below, *rev.*, stamped more shallowly *Ibrahim ibn Tahir*, 2.32g, *almost extremely fine* £200-300



418

Lead seal: the partially-preserved inscription reading:] barak [] al-amir al-mu - | minin | crescent, 5.04g, *good very fine* £150-200



‡419

Umayyad of Spain, temp. 'Abd al-Rahman I (138-172h), dirham, al-Andalus 170h, 4.26g (Album 339), *buckled flan, very fine and scarce* £100-150

420

Idrisid, Idris I, dirham, Tudgha 174h, 2.60g (Album 419); **Idris II**, dirham, Walila 181h, 2.36g (Album 420), *very fine and good fine (2)* £120-150



421

Abbasid/Idrisid, temp. al-Ma'mun/Idris II, dirham, al-'Aliya 204h, *obv.*, without name of ruler in margin, fields plain, *rev.*, as on Abbasid dirhams of al-'Abbasiya issued from the late 150's until the early 170s, with *bakh* above and *Yazid* below, 2.56g (Eustache -), *apparently a mule struck using an obsolete reverse die, almost very fine and very rare* £150-200

Eustache lists several dirhams of this mint and date, all with the name 'Ali in the obverse field which is not present on this piece.



422

Idrisid, Idris II (175-213h), dirham, 'Aliya (?) 213h, *rev.*, citing *Idris* (above) and 'Ali (below), 2.29g (Eustache 134 *var.*), *flan buckled, very fine* £150-200



423

Idrisid, fals, al-Bayda, undated, *obv.*, in field: *la ilaha illa | Allah* | traces of cogwheel symbol below, vestiges of marginal legend, *rev.*, *duriba | hadha al-fals | bi'l-Bayda* | five pointed star, 4.33g, *very fine and extremely rare* £500-600

The reverse type of this piece is clearly similar to Idrisid fulus of Walila and Tahirt (see Bencheikroun, C. and L. Liétard, 'Les Idrissides à la lumière de fulus frappés à Volubilis et Tahert,' *Arabica* 62, pp. 727-740). The location of al-Bayda has not been determined, although a well called 'Ayn Bayda is located near Oulad Mimoun, about 140 miles west of Tahert and 260 miles east of Volubilis.



‡424

Idrisid, temp. 'Ali b. Muhammad (221-234h), dirham, al-'Aliya 226h, *obv.*, with *Muhammad* and 'Ali in field, *rev.*, citing the ruler's deceased father, *Muhammad b. Idris*, 2.17g (Eustache 188), *buckled flan and obverse double-struck, otherwise good very fine* £200-250



425
Aghlabid, Ziyadat Allah I (201-223h), dinar, 217h, *obv.*,
citing *Masrur*, 4.20g (al-'Ush 28), *almost very fine* £200-250



426
Aghlabid, Ziyadat Allah I (201-223h), dinar, 219h, *obv.*,
citing *Masrur*, 4.12g (al-'Ush 30), *good fine* £180-220



427
Aghlabid, Ahmad b. Muhammad (242-249h), dinar,
249h, *obv.*, citing *Dadi*, 4.20g (al-'Ush 67), *buckled flan, other-
wise very fine* £200-250



428
Aghlabid, Muhammad II b. Ahmad (250-261h), dinar,
253h, 4.24g (al-'Ush 72), *very fine* £200-250



429
Aghlabid, Muhammad II b. Ahmad (250-261h), dinar,
258h, 4.17g (al-'Ush 79), *almost very fine* £200-250



430
Aghlabid, Muhammad II b. Ahmad (250-261h), dinar,
259h, 4.22g (al-'Ush 81), *very fine to good very fine* £250-300



431
Aghlabid, Ibrahim II b. Ahmad (261-289h), half-
dirham, al-'Abbasiya [27]6h, 1.39g (al-'Ush 220), *date partly
off-flan, almost very fine and rare* £150-200



432
Almoravid, Abu Bakr b. 'Umar (448-480h), dinar,
Sijilmasa 462h, 4.16g (Hazard 36), *very fine, scarce* £300-400



433
Ziyanid, Abu'l-'Abbas Ahmad I (834-866h), dinar,
[Madinat Tilimsan], undated, 4.65g (Hazard 665), *crude and
with weak striking in margins, about very fine* £250-300

434
Ziyanid, Abu'l-'Abbas Ahmad I (834-866h), dinars (2),
both Madinat Tilimsan, undated, 4.66, 4.59g (Hazard 665),
both creased and with much flat striking, fair (2) £250-300



435
Ziyanid, a contemporary imitation of a dinar with blundered
legends, 4.29g, *about very fine* £120-150



436
Tulunid, Ahmad b. Tulun, cast fals, Thughur al-Shamiya
264h, 3.50g (Miles, *Tarsus* 20), *fine, rare* £150-200



437
Tulunid, Khumarawayh b. Ahmad (270-282h), dinar,
al-Rafiqa 276h, 4.38g (Bernardi 193Hn; Grabar 33), *staining
on reverse, very fine or better for issue and scarce* £250-300



438

Tulunid, Khumarawayh b. Ahmad (270-282h), dinar, al-Rafiqa 278h, rev., plain below, 3.06g (Bernardi 193Hn; Grabar 43), *crudely struck but good very fine for issue and scarce* £280-320



443

Tulunid, Harun b. Khumarawayh (283-292h), dinar, Halab 284h, 3.47g (Bernardi 215Gb RRR = Qatar II, 2328, same dies), *crudely struck, fine and extremely rare* £700-1,000



439

Tulunid, Khumarawayh b. Ahmad (270-282h), dinar, Misr 273h, 3.85g (Bernardi 193De; Grabar 24), *probably from a ring-mount, good fine* £150-200



444

Tulunid, Harun b. Khumarawayh (283-292h), dirham, Dimashq 290h, 3.11g (Grabar -; SICA 6, 99), *light deposit and struck on a crazed flan, good fine and very rare* £250-300



440

Tulunid, Khumarawayh b. Ahmad (270-282h), dinar, Misr 274h, 4.20g (Bernardi 193De; Grabar 26), *good very fine* £200-250



445

Ikhshidid, Muhammad b. Tughj (323-334h), dinar, Filastin 331h, 3.40g (Bacharach 38; SICA 6, 132), *good very fine* £200-250



446

Ikhshidid, Muhammad b. Tughj (323-334h), dinar, Filastin 331h, 3.11g (Bacharach 38; SICA 6, 132), *good very fine* £200-250

441

Tulunid, Khumarawayh b. Ahmad (270-282h), dirham, al-Rafiqa 276h (Album 665.1), 2.72g, *unit of date weak, fair to fine and toned, apparently an unpublished date; Harun b. Khumarawayh (283-292h)*, dirham, Misr 291h, without name of Wali al-dawla, 2.95g (SICA 6, 125, Album 668.2 RR), *buckled flan, cleaned and now re-toning, fine to good fine and very rare (2)* £250-300



447

Ikhshidid, Muhammad b. Tughj (323-334h), dinar, Filastin 332h, rev., two pellets below, 4.35g (Bacharach 41) *flan crack and some striking weakness, otherwise very fine* £150-200



442

Tulunid, Khumarawayh b. Ahmad (270-282h), dirham, Misr 281h, 2.96g (cf Grabar 68 [282h]), *very fine and unusually well struck for issue, rare* £300-400



448
Ikhshidid, Abu'l-Qasim Unujur (335-349h), dinar, Filastin 339h, *obv.*, letter *sad* below field, 3.75g (Bacharach 80), *about very fine for issue* £200-250



449
Ikhshidid, Abu'l-Qasim Unujur (335-349h), dinar, Filastin 345h, 4.70g (Bacharach 85), *almost very fine* £180-220



‡450
Ikhshidid, Abu'l-Qasim Unujur (335-349h), dirham, Hims 336h, 3.00g (Bacharach 186; Bikhazi 142), *fine and rare* £200-250



451
Ikhshidid, 'Ali b .al-Ikhshid (350-354h), dinar, Filastin 350h, 3.11g (Bacharach 96), *minor edge damage, about very fine* £250-300



452
Ikhshidid, 'Ali b .al-Ikhshid (350-354h), dirham, Filastin 351h, 2.64g (Bacharach 192), *cleaned, some weak striking but very fine and scarce* £100-150



453
Fatimid, al-Mahdi (297-322h), dinar, Qayrawan 305h, 3.84g (Nicol 33), *fine, rare* £400-600



454
Fatimid, al-Mahdi (297-322h), silver sudaysi, 'Athar, undated, 0.43g (Nicol 22), *toned, extremely fine and rare* £150-200



455
Fatimid, al-Mansur (334-341h), dinar, al-Mansuriya 339h, 3.91g (Nicol 217), *traces of claw-mounting at edge, fine and rare* £400-600



456
Fatimid, al-Mansur (334-341h), dinar, al-Mahdiya 338h, month of Jumada al-Awwal, 4.15g (Nicol 246), *scrapes on obverse, very fine and rare* £600-800



457
Fatimid, al-Mu'izz (341-365h), dinar, 348h, without mint name (type of Sijilmasa), 1.14g (Nicol 273, *same reverse die*), *very fine and scarce* £300-400

458
Fatimid, al-Mu'izz (341-365h), quarter-dinar, Misr 361h, 0.95g (Nicol 361a), *mint and unit of date weak, fine to good fine and rare*; with **al-Mustansir (427-487h)**, quarter-dinars (2), both with mint and date off flan, including one 'windmill' type, *this plugged, generally fine* (3) £180-220



459

Fatimid, al-Mu'izz (341-365h), dirham, Filastin 359h, 2.22g (Nicol 340), *good very fine and rare, the earliest date for dirhams of this mint recorded by Nicol* £400-600



465

Fatimid, al-Hakim (?), a uniface lead weight, marginal legend unread, two-line inscription in centre, the first apparently citing *al-Hakim*, the second apparently reading '*Ali wali Allah*', 33.53g, *fine and rare* £200-250



460

Fatimid, al-'Aziz (365-386h), dinar, Dimashq 368h, 4.09g (Nicol 549), *good fine and very rare* £1,000-1,500



466

Fatimid, al-Zahir (411-427h), dinar, Misr 420h, with '*adl*' in centre both sides, 4.20g (Nicol 1524), *good very fine and very rare* £700-1,000



461

Fatimid, al-'Aziz (365-386h), quarter-dinar, Dimashq 3[8]6h, 1.04g (Nicol 556, citing a single example), *small patch of marginal weakness on each side, otherwise better than very fine and extremely rare* £500-700



467

Fatimid, al-Zahir (411-427h), dinar, al-Mansuriya 423h, *obv.*, date legend ends at *arba'* (i.e. without *mi'at*), 4.09g (Nicol 1561 [see WB-179]), *almost very fine and rare* £700-1,000



462

Fatimid, al-'Aziz (365-386h), quarter-dinar, Siqiliya 378h, 1.00g (Nicol 588), *almost very fine* £100-150



463

Fatimid, al-Hakim (386-411h), dinar, Misr 407h, 4.22g (Nicol 1099), *almost extremely fine and scarce thus* £300-400



468

Fatimid, al-Mustansir (427-487h), dinar, al-Iskandariya 477h, 4.14g (Nicol 1684), *about very fine* £200-250



464

Fatimid, al-Hakim (386-411h), posthumous quarter-dinar, al-Mahdiya 413h, 0.93g (Nicol 1259), *pierced, almost very fine and rare* £80-120



469

Fatimid, al-Mustansir (427-487h), dinar, Dimashq 443h, 3.35g (Nicol 1729), *plugged, otherwise very fine and rare* £300-400



470
Fatimid, al-Mustansir (427-487h), dinar, Trablus 465h, 3.52g (Nicol 2016), *slightly weak, good very fine* £200-250



471
Fatimid, al-Amir (495-524h), dinar, Misr 507h, 4.09g (Nicol 2526), *edge marks, otherwise about extremely fine* £200-250



472
Ayyubid, Saladin (575-589h), dinar, al-Qahira 582h, 4.27g (Balog 42), *some deposit, very fine* £200-250



473
Ayyubid, 'Uthman (589-595h), dinar, al-Qahira 589h, 5.69g (Balog 184), *very fine* £200-250



474
Ayyubid, al-Kamil I (615-635h), dinar, al-Qahira 626h, 3.86g (Balog 373), *good very fine* £150-200



475
Ayyubid, al-Kamil I (615-635h), dinar, al-Qahira 627h, 4.21g (Balog 374), *very fine, some double-striking* £140-160



476
Ayyubid, al-Kamil I (615-635h), dirham, Qal'at al-Qahira 623h, square-in-circle type, citing the caliph al-Zahir, 2.93g (Balog -; cf Album 812.2), *good very fine and extremely rare* £300-500



477
Ayyubid of Aleppo, al-Zahir Ghazi (582-613h), dirham, Halab 600h, 3.01g (Balog 603), *good extremely fine with some lustre, scarce thus* £100-150



478
Bahri Mamluk, Qala'un (678-689h), dinar, Dimashq, date [682h] off flan, 3.70g (Balog 120; cf Morton & Eden auction 82, lot 336, *same rev. die*), *extremely fine with some lustre* £250-300



479
Bahri Mamluk, Lajin (696-698h), dinar, al-Qahira, date off flan, 6.77g (cf Balog 162), *almost extremely fine* £250-300



480
Burji Mamluk, Qansuh al-Ghuri (906-922h), ashrafi, al-Qahira 910h, 3.06g (Balog -; Album 1041), *very fine with clear mint and date, scarce thus* £120-150

Ex Argenor Numismatique S.A. auction 4, 27 April 2001, lot 640



481
Burji Mamluk, Qansuh al-Ghuri (906-922h), ashrafi, Dimashq 918h, 3.35g (Balog 884), *reverse off-centre, otherwise very fine* £100-120



‡482

Rassid, al-Hadi (284-298h), dinar, Sa'da 298h, 2.91g (Bernardi 373Ek; Album 1065), *about extremely fine* £250-300



483

Rassid, al-Hadi (284-298h), dinar, Sa'da 298h, 2.91g (Bernardi 373Ek; Album 1065), *similar to the last, about extremely fine* £250-300



484

Ziyadid, Ishaq b. Ibrahim (343-362h), dinar, Zabid 352h, 2.78g (SICA 10, 108-112), *matte surfaces, about extremely fine* £300-400



‡485

Khawlanid, Yahya b. Abi Hashid (fl. 438h), dinar, San'a 438h, 1.99g (SICA 10, 275; Album K1073 RR), *good very fine, rare* £300-400



486

Wajihid, Ahmad b. Halil (fl. 290-312h), dirham, 'Uman 304h (Oman, p.130; Album F1160 RR), *some staining, fine to good fine and rare* £250-300



487

Wajihid, 'Umar b. Muhammad (fl. 358h), dirham, 'Uman 358h 2.06g (Album 1163E RRR; Oman -), *part of edge broken away, fair only but mint and date clear, extremely rare* £400-500



488

Qarmatid, al-Hasan b. Ahmad (fl. 361-364h), dirham, Filastin 361h, *obv.*, in field: *la ilaha illa | Allah wahdahu | la sharik lahu | al-Sadat | al-ru'asa*, *rev.*, in field: *lillah | Muhammad rasul Allah | sala Allah 'alayhi | wa 'ala alihi | al-Muti' lillah | al-Hasan b. Ahmad*, 2.98g (cf Vardanyan 11 [a dinar]), *patchy, colourful toning, fair to fine and extremely rare* £500-700



489

Qarmatid, al-Hasan b. Ahmad (fl. 361-364h), dirham, Filastin 362h, *obv.*, in field: *la ilaha illa | Allah wahdahu | la sharik lahu | al-Sadat | al-ru'asa*, *rev.*, in field: *lillah | Muhammad rasul Allah | sala Allah 'alayhi | wa 'ala alihi | al-Muti' lillah | al-Hasan b. Ahmad*, 2.66g (Vardanyan 18), *edge split, fine and very rare* £500-700



490

Qarmatid, Alptekin Abu Mansur al-Mu'izzi (fl. 364-367h), dirham, Filastin 366h, *obv.*, in field: *la ilaha illa Allah | wahdahu la sharik lahu | al-Ta'i lillah | al-sayyid al-ra'is*, *rev.*, in field: *lillah | Muhammad rasul Allah | sali Allah 'alayhi | al-sayyid Jafar bin al-Fadl | Abu Mansur al-Mu'izzi*, 3.00g (Vardanyan 28), *margins weak, flan curved, fine to good fine for issue and very rare* £500-700

491

Hamdanid, Nasir al-dawla and Sayf al-dawla (330-356h), dirham, Nisibin 330h, 3.81g (Tiesenhansen 2448 [as Abbasid]), *centres weak, good fine with clear mint and date, scarce*; **Nasir al-dawla alone (356-358h)**, dirham, Nisibin 356h, *obv.*, citing heir as *Abu Taghlib Fadl Allah* and with *musafa harq* ('refined through heating') below, 4.06g (Album 749), *about very fine and scarce* (2) £150-200



‡492

Hamdanid, Nasir al-dawla and Sayf al-dawla (330-356h), donative dirham with broad margins, Halab 334h, citing *al-Mustakfi*, rev., apparently with *ibriz* below, 3.34g (cf Bikhazi 82-84), *struck from specially-prepared dies and with plain outer band clearly visible, reverse off-centre, good fine and rare* £150-200



493

Hamdanid, Nasir al-dawla and Sayf al-dawla, donative dirham, al-Madinat al-Sayfiyya min Halab [35]3h, *obv.*, citing *Sayf al-dawla* | *Abu'l-Hasan* in fourth and fifth lines, *rev.*, in inner margin: Qur'an ix, 34; in field: citing *Nasir* | *al-dawla Abu Muhammad* in sixth and seventh lines, 3.79g (cf Bikhazi 91; cf Morton & Eden auction 30, 29 November 2007, lot 586, same dies), *some weak striking, almost very fine and extremely rare* £500-700

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Hamdanid, 'Uddat al-dawla Abu Taghlib (358-369h), dirhams (2), al-Rafiq 3[5]9h, *obv.*, citing his heir *Abu'l-Barakat Lutf Allah*, and Nisibin 361h, without name of heir,



5.30, 2.78g (Album 750.2 RR, 750.1), *almost very fine* (2)

£250-300

496

Artuqid, Fakhr al-Din Qara Arslan (539-570h), AE dirham, nimbate bust of Christ facing, *rev.*, four-line inscrip-



tion within marginal legend, 6.82g (SS 1), *good fine and rare*

£150-200

497

Seljuq of Rum /Cilician Armenia, Hetoum II and Kaykhusraw II (634-644h), bilingual tram, Sis 635h?, 2.88g (Broome 1103; Nercessian 326), *slightly ragged flan, good very fine* £200-300



498

Lu'lu'id, Badr al-din Lu'lu' (631-657h), dinar, al-Mawasil 645h, 5.22g (Jafar 50), *minor weakness in margins, very fine* £150-200



499

Ottoman, Bayezid II (886-918h), sultani, Serez 886h, 3.59g (Pere 103), *excess metal on obverse, minor edge marks, otherwise very fine and rare* £600-800



500

Ottoman, Murad III (982-1003h), sultani, Baghdad 982h, 3.52g (Artuk 1611), *about very fine* £350-450



501

Ottoman, 'Uthman III (1027-1031h), sultani, Misr 1027h, 3.40g (Pere 394), *some flat striking, very fine and scarce* £250-300



502

Ottoman, 'Abd al-Hamid I (1187-1203h), zir-i mahbub, Trablus Gharb 1187h, 2.50g (Pere 669; KM 56), *pierced, very fine* £350-450

503

Tahirid, Tahir b. al-Husayn (205-207h), dirham, Madinat Samarqand 206h, *rev.*, citing *al-'Ala*; **Abbasid, al-Ma'mun (194-218h)**, dirham, Madinat Samarqand 195h, 2.85, 2.58g (Lowick 2701, 2637); **al-Mu'tasim (218-227h)**, dirham, Marw 226h, 2.85g (SICA 4, -; SCC -; Ties. -), *generally very fine, all scarce* (3) £150-200



504

Tahirid, Tahir b. al-Husayn (205-207h), dirham, al-Muhammadiya 206h, citing *Muhammad b. Humayd*, 2.95g (Miles 108A), *very fine and scarce*; **Samanid, Isma'il b. Ahmad** dirhams (2), both al-Shash 283h, varieties with and without *Binkath* in obverse field, and a multiple dirham of Mansur b. Nuh, a mule of Album 1465/1465A, *very fine and better*; **Buwayhid 'Adud al-dawla**, dirham, Fasa 365h, *very fine* (5)
£150-200



505

Tahirid, Talha b. Tahir (207-213h), dirham, Madinat Zaranj 207h, *rev.*, citing *ibn al-Qusi*, 2.93g (Lowick 2493), *good very fine, rare*
£150-200



506

Tahirid, Talha b. Tahir (207-213h), dirham, Madinat Zaranj 208h, *rev.*, citing *Talha* and *al-Hasan*, 2.77g (Lowick 2501), *very fine to good very fine, rare*
£150-200



507

Tahirid, Talha b. Tahir (207-213h), dirham, Madinat Zaranj 209h, *rev.*, citing *'Abdallah al-Talhi*, 2.98g (Lowick 2503), *good very fine and very rare*
£150-200

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508

Saffarid, Ya'qub b. al-Layth, dirhams (3): al-Ahwaz 264h and 265h (both with title *al-amir Ya'qub*); Fars 264h; **Muhammad b. 'Amr**, dirham, Shiraz 272h; **Tahir b. Muhammad**, dirham, Shiraz 288h (Album 1401.2 [3], 1403, 1404), *last with small edge chip, very good to good fine, all scarce* (5)
£120-150



509

Saffarid, Ahmad b. Muhammad (311-352h), dirham, Sijistan 318h, citing *al-Husayn b. Bilal*, 2.68g (Lloyd Sj318; Album 1412A), *traces of hoard-staining, centres weak, very fine and rare*
£100-150



510

Saffarid, Ahmad b. Muhammad (311-352h), dirham, Sijistan 324h, *obv.*, citing *Abu Ja'far*, 2.89g (Lloyd Sj324), *weak in centres but with minimal wear from circulation, hence very fine to extremely fine and very rare*
£120-150



511

Saffarid, Ahmad b. Muhammad (311-352h), fractional dinar, Sijistan 346h, 1.73g (Album 1411), *old scrape on obverse, otherwise better than very fine*
£100-150



512

Saffarid, Khalaf b. Ahmad, 3rd Reign (370-390h), fractional dinar, Sijistan 386h, 1.42g (Album 1420.2), *well-struck on a full flan with marginal legends complete, good very fine and rare thus*
£180-220



513

Banijurid, Maktum b. Harb (fl.347-364h or later), dirham, Andaraba 359h, *obv.*, with *Maktum* above and *bin harb* below, *rev.*, citing the Samanid Mansur b. Nuh, 3.61g (Album M1438 RR), *traces of green deposit, fine and very rare*
£150-200



#514

Samanid, Nasr b. Ahmad (301-331h), dinar, Samarqand 302h, 4.20g (Bernardi 269Qe RR), *good very fine and rare*
£250-300

515

Samanid, Isma'il b. Ahmad (279-295h), dirhams (2), Samarqand 291h, al-Shash 291h; **Nuh b. Nasr (331-343h)**, fulus (4); **'Abd al-Malik b. Nuh (343-350h)**, dirham, Bukhara 349h; **Mansur I b. Nuh (350-365h)**, dirhams (2), Amul 354h, Balkh 352h; **Qarakhanid**, fulus (2), *varied state, some scarce* (11)
£300-400



516

Samanid, Mansur I b. Nuh (350-365h), broad fulus (2), Ferghana 358h and 359h (Album 1467.3), *both pierced otherwise very fine, scarce* (2)
£120-150



517

Anonymous (Samanid?), donative quarter-dinar, Naysabur, undated, *obv.*, in field and margin: *la ilaha illa Allah Muhammad – [rasul Allah arsulahu] bi'l-huda wa din al haqq li-yuzhirahu [ala al-din kullihi]*, *rev.*, in field: *Muhammad | rasul Allah*; in margin: mint legend, 0.63g, *with ancient loop attached, very fine and extremely rare, apparently unpublished*
£250-300



#518

Sajid, Yusuf b. Diwdad (288-315h), dinar, Ardabil 306h, 4.96g (Bernardi 251Ka, *date not listed*; Vardanyan 66), *almost very fine and very rare*
£600-800



#519

Sajid, Yusuf b. Diwdad (288-315h), dinar, Barda'a 300h, 3.52g (Bernardi 251Kf, *date not listed*; Vardanyan 50), *wavy flan, some marks, almost very fine and extremely rare*
£600-800



#520

Sajid, Yusuf b. Diwdad (288-315h), dirham, Arminiya 314h, 2.79g (Album 1479; Vardanyan 83), *about very fine for issue and rare*
£200-250



521

Ghaznavid, Mahmud (389-421h), dinar, Naysabur 389h, *obv.*, sword in field to left, 5.04g (SNAT XIVa, 530; Album 1606), *struck on a slightly wavy flan, very fine*
£140-160



522

Ghaznavid, Mahmud (389-421h), dinar, Naysabur 411h, 4.03g (Album 1606), *almost very fine*
£150-200



#523

Uncertain, possibly Zaydis of Hawsam, temp. Abu'l-Husayn al-Mu'ayyad (d. 421h), fractional dinar, mint and date mostly off-flan, *obv.*, in margin: mint/date formula; in field: *la ilaha illa Allah | Muhammad rasul Allah | 'Ali wali Allah | min [unread] billah*, *rev.*, in margin: Qur'an 9:33; in field: *Qull huwa: | Allah ahad Allah | al-samad lam yalid wa lam | yaludwa lam yakun lahu | kufu ahad*, 0.72g, *remains of loop-mount, very fine and extremely rare*
£400-600

The calligraphy and legends are very similar to the fractional dinar of Abu'l-Husayn al-Mu'ayyad sold in these rooms, 21 April 2016, lot 170. Unfortunately, while the first portion of the obverse margin is legible as far as *hadha al-dinar*, the mint-name itself and year cannot be read securely on this specimen.

524

Buwayhid, 'Ali b. Buwayh, dirhams (6), comprising al-'Askar min al-Ahwaz 331h, 334h Tustur min al-Ahwaz 329h, 333h; Suq al-Ahwaz 333h, 334h (Treadwell Aw331, Aw334a Tu329, Tu333, Su333a, Su334), *mainly fine all scarce or rare* (6)
£120-150



525

Buwayhid, Rukn al-dawla (335-366h), dirham, al-Muhammadiya 364h, 2.86g (Treadwell Mu364b), *lightly cleaned, reverse slightly double-struck, otherwise good very fine, rare* £150-200



530

Buwayhid, Baha' al-dawla, dirham, Ramhurmuz 390h, *rev., lillah | Muhammad rasul | Allah sala Allah | 'alayhi wa salam | al-Qadir billah*, 3.61g (cf Treadwell Ra391), *some weak areas, almost very fine for issue and apparently unpublished* £100-150



526

Buwayhid, 'Adud al-dawla, dinar, Suq al-Ahwaz 369h, 4.47g (Treadwell Su369G), *good very fine* £200-250

531

Buwayhid, dirhams (2), Shiraz 391h and 406h (Treadwell Sh391b, Sh406); **Saffarid, Ya'qub b. al-Layth**, dirham, al-Banjhir 260h (Wilkes 1434); **Tabaristan, Datburjmihr**, hemidrachm, 86pye (Album 51), *good fine or better, the third with edge crack* (4) £100-150

532

Buwayhid, dirhams (2), Madinat al-Salam 400h, with double obverse margin, and Shiraz 408h, 3.78, 3.05g (Treadwell Ms400b, Sh408a), *both with patchy toning, generally very fine, the first rare* (2) £150-200



527

Buwayhid, 'Adud al-dawla, dinar, Suq al-Ahwaz 369h, *obv., pellet in field to right*, 4.50g (Treadwell Su369G.3), *very fine to good very fine* £200-250



533

Buwayhid, Sultan al-dawla, dirham, Shiraz 406h, *obv., with elaborate calligraphy including lam-alifs rendered as five open-topped circles*, 4.81g (Treadwell Sh406, citing a single example), *some weak striking, good fine to very fine and rare* £100-150



528

Buwayhid, Abu'l-Fawaris, dinar, al-Basra 375h, 4.27g (Treadwell Ba375G, citing a single specimen), *flan slightly bent, about very fine and rare* £250-300



534

Buwayhid, donative fractional dirham, Shiraz, undated, *obv., mint in margin, rev., Surat al-Ikhlās in field*, 1.29g, *very fine or better and rare* £200-300



529

Buwayhid, Samsam al-dawla, dirham, Tawwaj 388h, *rev., as Treadwell Tw388 but with the addition of Abu Kalijar below*, 3.33g, *edge bend, reverse double-struck, almost very fine/fine and toned, extremely rare and apparently unpublished* £200-300

535

Ziyarid, Bisutun b. Wushmagir (357-367h), dirhams (2), Amul 359h, 366h (Wilkes 1673, 1674), *the first very fine and rare, the second fine* (2) £150-200



536

Ziyarid, Bisutun b. Wushmagir, dirham, Hawsam 366h, citing the Buwayhid ruler Rukn al-dawla as overlord, 3.86g (Markov p.978, 43b), *weak in parts otherwise very fine, the mint extremely rare* £300-400



541

Qarakhanid, Sulayman b. Yusuf (423-448h), dirham, Uzkand 428h, *obv.*, citing Hashim, *rev.*, with Sulayman's title of Qadir Khaqan and unread word below, 3.76g (Kochnev 820 var.; Album 3359), *very fine, rare* £100-150



537

Ziyarid, Qabus b. Wushmagir (367-403h), dirham, Jurjan 367h, citing the Buwayhid ruler 'Adud al-dawla as overlord, 3.80g (Wilkes 1676), *slightly bent at edge, some weakness in margins, otherwise very fine, scarce* £80-120



542

Great Seljuq, Tughril Beg (429-455h), dinar, al-Rayy 447h, 5.15g (Miles 231; Album 1665), *very fine* £150-200



538

Bavandid of Tabaristan, Rustam b. Sharwin (c.352-370h), dirham, Firim 353h, citing the Buwayhid ruler Rukn al-dawla as overlord, 3.91g (Wilkes 1683), *lightly cleaned, minor weakness in margins, otherwise very fine, rare* £120-150



543

Great Seljuq, Barkiyaruq (486-498h), dirham, al-Ahwaz 489h, 2.02g (Album -; Wilkes -), *some weak striking but very fine for issue with clear mint and date, very rare* £200-300



539

Bavandid of Tabaristan, Rustam b. Sharwin, dirham, Firim 361h, citing the Buwayhid ruler Rukn al-dawla as overlord, 4.75g (Wilkes 1683), *minor deposit, very fine and rare* £150-200



544

Great Seljuq, Muhammad I (491-511h), dinar, Madinat al-Salam 503h, 2.93g (Jafar S.MS.503A), *slightly ragged edge, lightly creased, good very fine* £140-160



545

Great Mongols, Genghis Khan (602-624h), billon jital, Shafurqan (?), citing the caliph al-Nasir, 3.15g (Album A1972), *very fine and scarce* £200-300



540

Qarakhanid, Nasr b. 'Ali (c. 383-403h), dinar, Naysabur 396h, 4.31g (Album 3301; Wilkes 1745), *very fine and rare* £400-600



‡546

Ilkhanid, Abaqa (663-680h), dinar, mint (Damghan?) unclear, no date visible, 3.02g (Album 2126.3), *with loop-mount, crudely struck but with little circulation wear hence very fine for issue, scarce* £150-200



‡547

Ilkhanid, Abaqa (663-680h), dinar, type of Astarabad, no date visible, *rev.*, in field: *qa'an | padshah | al-'adil | ilkhan Abaqa*, 3.26g (Album 2126.3), *typically crude striking, good fine* £150-200



548

Ilkhanid, Ghazan Mahmud (694-703h), dirham, al-Rayy 701h/700h, dated 701h on the obverse and 700h on the reverse, 4.38g (Diler 281, where this variety is noted), *some weakness, very fine to good very fine for issue and scarce* £80-120



‡549

Ilkhanid, Abu Sa'id (716-736h), dinar, Sabzawar 730h, 4.22g (Diler 525), *edge filed, very fine and scarce* £300-400



550

Ilkhanid, Abu Sa'id (716-736h), dinar, Siwas 732h, 9.16g (Diler 531), *edge flaw, very fine to good very fine and scarce* £300-400



551

Ilkhanid, Abu Sa'id (716-736h), 6-dirhams, Jajerm 721h, 10.41g (Diler 488), *very fine, scarce* £40-60



552

Ilkhanid, Abu Sa'id (716-736h), dirham Arzarum 724h 3.54g (Diler 504), *good very fine, rare* £150-200

553

Ilkhanid, Muhammad (736-738h), 6-dirhams, Jurjan 738h (Album 2228); **Hulagu (654-663h)**, dirham, mint and date unclear (Album 2122.1); **Timurid, Sultan Husayn, 3rd reign (873-911h)**, countermarked tankas (4), various hosts countermarked *beh bud herat* (Album 2438); together with a Rassid sudaysi, *varied state* (7) £100-150



554

Timurid, Sulayman Mirza (936-992h), a Chaghatayid silver dinar of Dashmand Shah countermarked with the Timurid ruler's name and title *'adl Sulayman badshah ghazi*, 7.85g, *fine to very fine and very rare* £100-150

555

Musha'sha', Fallah b. al-Muhsin (fl. 905-906h), silver half-tanka, 907h (apparently an unpublished date), 2.06g (Album 2565 RR), *off-centre, about very fine and rare*; **Ilkhanid, temp. Hulagu-Abaqa**, dirham, Isfarayin nd, *al-Qa'an al-'Adil* type (Album 2136), *almost very fine*; **Muzaffarid, Shah Shuja' (759-786h)**, silver dinar, Aydhaj 763h (Album 2282.2), *good very fine* (3) £120-150



556

Safavid, Isma'il I (907-930h), ashrafi, 918h, mint off-flan, 3.53g (Album 2569), *almost extremely fine* £150-200



557
Safavid, Isma'il I (907-930h), ashrafi, Harat 916h, 3.49g (Album 2569), *some marginal weakness, good very fine*
£180-220



563
Safavid, Shah Abbas I (995-1038h), gold 2-mithqal, no mint-name, 996h, 9.24g (Album 2626), *some flat striking on both sides, good very fine for issue and scarce*
£400-600



558
Safavid, Isma'il I (907-930h), ashrafi, Tabriz 920h, 3.53g (Album 2569), *excess metal on obverse, good very fine for issue*
£180-220



564
Safavid, Sultan Husayn (1105-1135h), rectangular 5-shahi, Iravan 1128h, 8.64g (A 2677.1), *about very fine*
£80-120



559
Safavid, Tahmasp I, half-mithqal, Ardabil, undated, 2.33g (Album 2591), *some deposit, very fine and a scarce mint*
£200-300



565
Safavid, Sultan Husayn, rectangular 5-shahi, Tiflis 1129h, 8.68g (Album 2677.2), *very fine*
£100-150



560
Safavid, Tahmasp I (930-984h), quarter-ashrafi or sixth-mithqal, Shiraz 930h, 0.78g (Album A2596 R), *some staining otherwise good very fine*
£70-100



566
Afsharid, Nadir Shah (1148-1160h), ashrafi, Isfahan 1151h, type C, 3.49g (Album 2742), *scraped on obverse and minor marks, otherwise good very fine*
£180-220



561
Safavid, Tahmasp I (930-984h), ashrafi, Kashan 929h, 4.71g (Album 2590), *very fine*
£180-220



‡567
Qajar, Fath 'Ali Shah (1212-1250h), toman, Yazd 1232h, 4.61g (KM 753), *faint edge marks, otherwise about extremely fine*
£140-160



562
Safavid, Tahmasp I (930-984h), half-ashrafi, 930h, mint unread, 2.34g (Album 2591), *ragged edge, very fine*
£150-200

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(a) The auctioneer has discretion to refuse bids, withdraw or re-offer lots for sale (including after the fall of the hammer) if (s)he believes that there may be an error or dispute, and may also take such other action as (s)he reasonably deems necessary.

(b) The auctioneer will commence and advance the bidding in such increments as (s)he considers appropriate and is entitled to place bids on the Seller's behalf up to the Reserve Price for the lot, where applicable.

(c) Subject to Condition 7(a), the contract between the Buyer and the Seller is concluded on the striking of the auctioneer's hammer.

(d) Any post-auction sale of lots shall incorporate these Conditions of Business.

8. Payment and Collection

(a) Unless otherwise agreed in advance, payment of the Purchase Price is due in pounds sterling immediately after the auction (the "Payment Date").

(b) Title in a lot will not pass to the Buyer until M&E has received the Purchase Price in cleared funds. M&E will generally not release a lot to a Buyer before payment. Earlier release shall not affect passing of title or the Buyer's obligation to pay the Purchase Price, as above.

(c) The refusal of any licence or permit required by law, as outlined in Condition 6, shall not affect the Buyer's obligation to pay for the lot, as per Condition 8(a).

(d) The Buyer must arrange collection of lots within 10 working days of the auction. Purchased lots are at the Buyer's risk from the earlier of (i) collection or (ii) 10 working days after the auction. Until risk passes, M&E will compensate the Buyer for any loss or damage to the lot up to a maximum of the Purchase Price actually paid by the Buyer. M&E's assumption of risk is subject to the exclusions detailed in Condition 5(d) of the Conditions of Business for Sellers.

(e) All packing and handling of lots is at the Buyer's risk. M&E will not be liable for any acts or omissions of third party packers or shippers.

9. Remedies for non-payment

Without prejudice to any rights that the Seller may have, if the Buyer without prior agreement fails to make payment for the lot within 5 working days of the auction, M&E may in its sole discretion exercise 1 or more of the following remedies:-

(a) store the lot at its premises or elsewhere at the Buyer's sole risk and expense;

(b) cancel the sale of the lot;

(c) set off any amounts owed to the Buyer by M&E against any amounts owed to M&E by the Buyer for the lot;

(d) reject future bids from the Buyer;

(e) charge interest at 8% per annum above Lloyds TSB Bank plc Base Rate from the Payment Date to the date that the Purchase Price is received in cleared funds;

(f) re-sell the lot by auction or privately, with estimates and reserves at M&E's discretion, in which case the Buyer will be liable for any shortfall between the original Purchase Price and the amount achieved on re-sale, including all costs incurred in such re-sale;

(g) Exercise a lien over any Buyer's Property in M&E's possession, applying the sale proceeds to any amounts owed by the Buyer to M&E. M&E shall give the Buyer 14 days written notice before exercising such lien;

(h) commence legal proceedings to recover the Purchase Price for the lot, plus interest and legal costs;

(i) disclose the Buyer's details to the Seller to enable the Seller to commence legal proceedings.

10. Failure to collect purchases

(a) If the Buyer pays the Purchase Price but does not collect the lot within 20 working days of the auction, the lot will be stored at the Buyer's expense and risk at M&E's premises or in independent storage.

(b) If a lot is paid for but uncollected within 6 months of the auction, following 60 days written notice to the Buyer, M&E will re-sell the lot by auction or privately, with estimates and reserves at M&E's discretion. The sale proceeds, less all M&E's costs, will be forfeited unless collected by the Buyer within 2 years of the original auction.

11. Data Protection

(a) M&E will use information supplied by Bidders or otherwise obtained lawfully by M&E for the provision of auction related services, client administration, marketing and as otherwise required by law.

(b) By agreeing to these Conditions of Business, the Bidder agrees to the processing of their personal information and to the disclosure of such information to third

parties world-wide for the purposes outlined in Condition 11(a) and to Sellers as per Condition 9(i).

12. Miscellaneous

(a) All images of lots, catalogue descriptions and all other materials produced by M&E are the copyright of M&E.

(b) These Conditions of Business are not assignable by any Buyer without M&E's prior written consent, but are binding on Bidders' successors, assigns and representatives.

(c) The materials listed in Condition 1(a) set out the entire agreement between the parties.

(d) If any part of these Conditions of Business be held unenforceable, the remaining parts shall remain in full force and effect.

(e) These Conditions of Business shall be interpreted in accordance with English Law, under the exclusive jurisdiction of the English Courts, in favour of M&E.

Morton & Eden Ltd.'s Authenticity Guarantee

If Morton & Eden Ltd. sells an item of Property which is later shown to be a "Counterfeit", subject to the terms below Morton & Eden Ltd. will rescind the sale and refund the Buyer the total amount paid by the Buyer to Morton & Eden Ltd. for that Property, up to a maximum of the Purchase Price.

The Guarantee lasts for two (2) years after the date of the relevant auction, is for the benefit of the Buyer only and is non-transferable.

"Counterfeit" means an item of Property that in Morton & Eden Ltd.'s reasonable opinion is an imitation created with the intent to deceive over the authorship, origin, date, age, period, culture or source, where the correct description of such matters is not included in the catalogue description for the Property.

Property shall not be considered Counterfeit solely because of any damage and/or restoration and/or modification work (including, but not limited to, traces of mounting, tooling or repatinating). Please note that this Guarantee does not apply if either:-

(i) the catalogue description was in accordance with the generally accepted opinions of scholars and experts at the date of the sale, or the catalogue description indicated that there was a conflict of such opinions; or

(ii) the only method of establishing at the date of the sale that the item was a Counterfeit would have been by means of processes not then generally available or accepted, unreasonably expensive or impractical; or likely to have caused damage to or loss in value to the Property (in Morton & Eden Ltd.'s reasonable opinion); or

(iii) there has been no material loss in value of the Property from its value had it accorded with its catalogue description.

To claim under this Guarantee, the Buyer must:-

(i) notify Morton & Eden Ltd. in writing within one (1) month of receiving any information that causes the Buyer to question the authenticity or attribution of the Property, specifying the lot number,

date of the auction at which it was purchased and the reasons why it is believed to be Counterfeit; and

(ii) return the Property to Morton & Eden Ltd. in the same condition as at the date of sale and be able to transfer good title in the Property, free from any third party claims arising after the date of the sale.

Morton & Eden Ltd. has discretion to waive any of the above requirements. Morton & Eden Ltd. may require the Buyer to obtain at the Buyer's cost the reports of two independent and recognised experts in the relevant field and acceptable to Morton & Eden Ltd. Morton & Eden Ltd. shall not be bound by any reports produced by the Buyer, and reserves the right to seek additional expert advice at its own expense. In the event Morton & Eden Ltd. decides to rescind the sale under this Guarantee, it may refund to the Buyer the reasonable costs of up to two mutually approved independent expert reports, provided always that the costs of such reports have been approved in advance and in writing by Morton & Eden Ltd.

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